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DIGITALIS (Foxgloves)

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CAMPANULA (Bellflower)

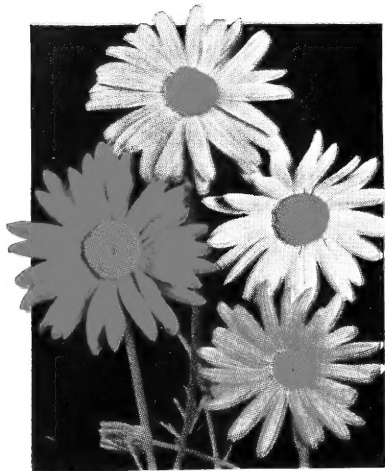
MEDIUM — The old favorite "Canterbury Bells," so well loved by all flower growers. The plants are a thrilling sight in June and July when the branches are loaded with charming bell-shaped flowers, the edges of which are softly rolled and fluted. Plants grow 2 to 3 feet tall and are extremely showy in mixed borders. We offer the following colors: Blue, Pink, White. Also: Single & Double Prize Mixture.

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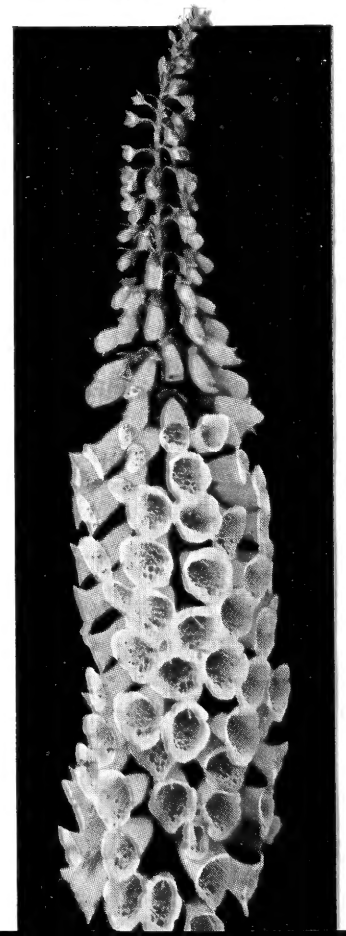


Pyrethrum
(Painted Daisies)

Campanula



Gaillardia Goblin



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← GALLARDIA (Blanket Flower)

For general hardiness and profusion of colorful blooms, the Gaillardias are in a class by themselves. Plants require only the very simplest of care and will make a bright color display in the perennial border. Blooms keep extremely well after cutting, which makes them very desirable for bouquets.

BURGUNDY Outstanding for its vigorous growth and long blooming period. Plants produce a profusion of warm, rich dark red blossoms with high-tufted centers. Very colorful and very desirable in the mixed border. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

DAZZLER One of the most brilliant of the Gaillardia family. Large flowering type with blooms of bright golden-yellow, centered with a disc of satiny maroon. Plants grow 2 feet tall. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

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DISCOUNTS
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Colorful Perennials That Will GROW in SHADE

The following is a list of plants that will grow and thrive with equal success in either sun or shade. We have listed and described these plants in our catalog on the pages shown opposite each variety.

For those "hard-to-fill" shaded areas in your garden, we recommend that you try some of these perennials. They will provide rich color accents and give a completeness to your whole landscape plan.

Lathyrus



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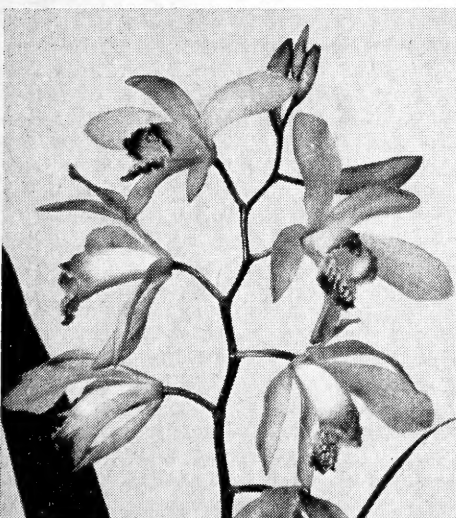
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HARDY CHINESE ORCHID (Bletilla Hyacinthina)

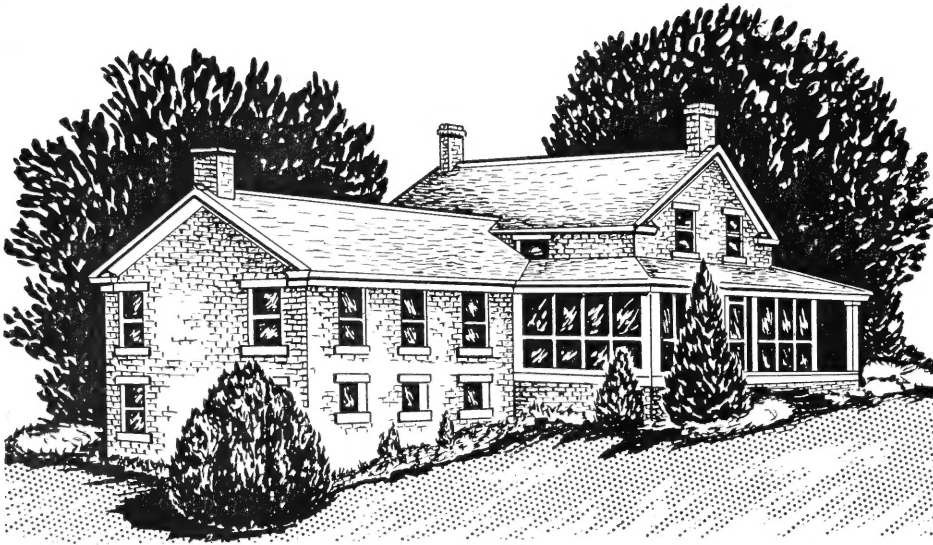
An Asiatic species of Orchid that is particularly suited to shaded areas in the garden. Plants have distinctive foliage, plaited like a fan and lovely orchid-shaped flowers; 7 to 8 blooms are carried on tall, 12 inch stems. The flowers are valuable for bouquets and make very attractive corsages. Plants are perfectly hardy under all conditions. May be grown in pots indoors as well as in garden. For something entirely different, try a planting of this interesting perennial. Colors: Lavender—White. Price: Each \$1.00; 3 for \$2.75.

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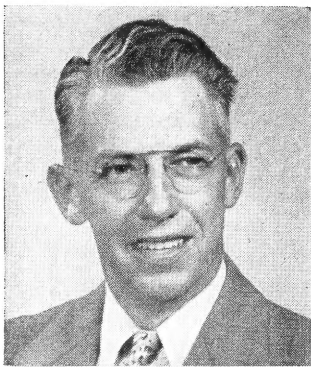
Chinese Orchid



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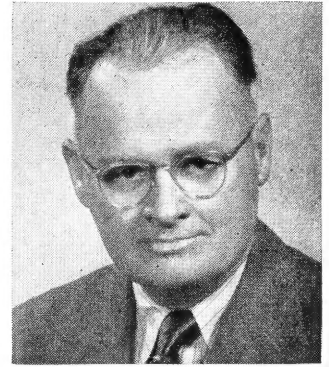
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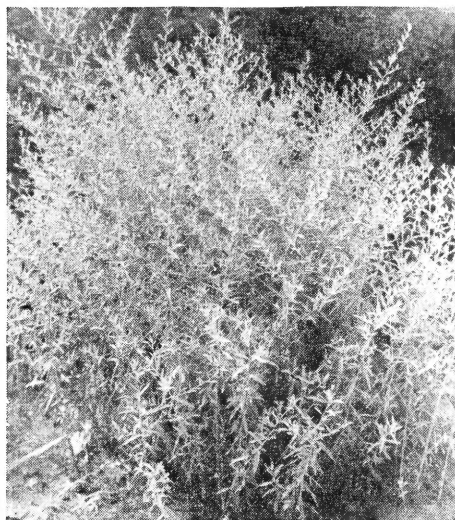
PTARMICA, THE PEARL One of the freest flowering perennials. Ideal for borders and cutting. Pure white, double blossoms in large clustered heads. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

FILIPENDULA PARKER'S VARIETY Large heads of golden yellow flowers on long stems. Coming into flower in July, blooms continuously until frost. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

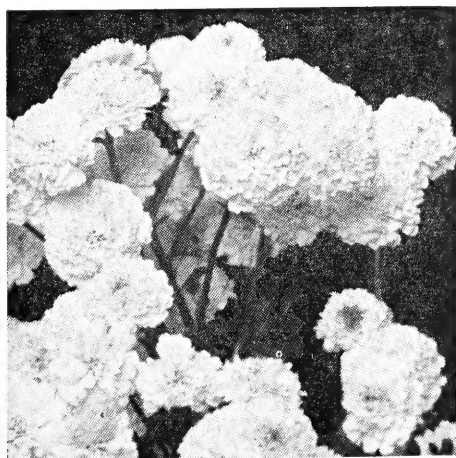
ALYSSUM

(Rock Madwort)

SAXATILE COMPACTUM (BASKET OF GOLD) One of the showiest spring flowers with its large clustered blooms of bright yellow. Excellent for the rockery or borders. Grows 10 to 12 inches high. Very hardy. Blooms during April and May. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.



Artemisia



Achillea, The Pearl

ANCHUSA

(Sea Bugloss)

ITALICA DROPMORE (ALKA-NET) A splendid background plant; grows 5 to 6 feet tall. Bears a profusion of true gentian flowers on sturdy stems. Blooms in June and intermittently all summer. A beautiful border plant, with its attractive silvery-green foliage. Very hardy. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

AQUILEGIA

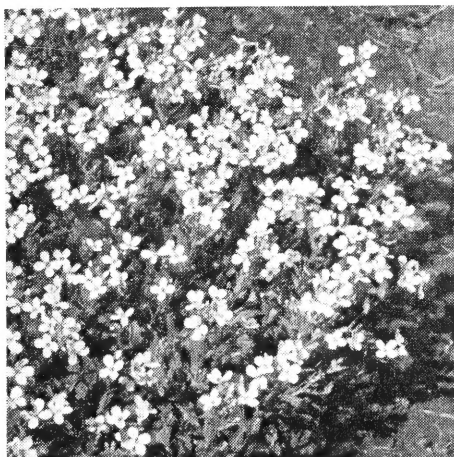
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AUBRIETIA

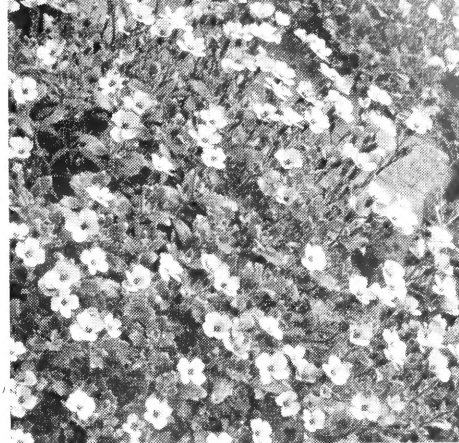
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Asclepias



Arabis



Aubrietia

ARABIS

(White Rock Cress)

ALPINA A splendid creeping plant which seldom grows more than 12 inches high. Produces masses of white blossoms in early spring. Foliage is very ornamental remainder of the year. A valuable plant for edging beds and borders; and for the rockery or dry wall. A fine cutflower, blooms last quite awhile after cutting. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

ARTEMISIA

(Southernwood)

SILVER KING A striking contrast plant with light silvery-gray foliage. Much in demand for setting off bouquets and floral arrangements. Plants grow three feet high and make a somewhat shrubby growth. A splendid plant for the hardy border. Sprays may be cut and dried for use in winter bouquets. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

ASCLEPIAS

(Orange Butterfly Weed)

TUBEROSA This attractive plant produces an immense number of brilliant-orange flowers during July and August. Will grow successfully in any type of soil in any locality. Plants reach height of 2 to 2½ feet; withstand the most severe winters and hottest summers, producing flowers year after year with no special care. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.



Alyssum Saxatile

Hardy ASTERS

(Michaelmas Daisy)

Hardy Asters are considered by many to be the loveliest of autumn-flowering perennials. Their wide range of colors and prolific blooming habit make them invaluable for borders and cut flowers.

BEECHWOOD CHALLENGER (See Front Cover)

HARRINGTON'S PINK Beautiful deep rose-pink blooms are produced in great abundance and make a truly striking picture in the perennial bed. Plants attain a height of 4 feet; excellent for cutting. Hardy, vigorous grower. Each 45c; 3 for \$1.25.

ROYAL BLUE (See Front Cover)

WHITE LADY One of the loveliest white Asters. Plants are strong growers and bear masses of large, dazzling white flowers. Should be included among other Asters. Each 45c; 3 for \$1.25.

SPECIAL OFFER One each of the four listed above Varieties **\$1.50**

Extra!! GLORIOUS GOLIATH ASTER

An unusual plant you must have. A dwarf plant with dark blue flowers. Blooms in the spring. Very prolific. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

CALLIRHOE (Poppy Mallow)

INVOLUCRATA This is an excellent plant for the rock garden or retaining wall, because of its trailing habit of growth. Plants grow only 6 inches high and bloom through most of the summer and fall. Large, saucer-shaped blossoms of bright crimson with white spots and fine lacy foliage make an attractive addition to any garden. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

CAMPANULA

(See Back Cover For Description and Prices)

PEACE A companion variety to **PLENTY** this Aster will replace varieties of similar color. The delicate pinkish lavender blooms make a lovely showing from early September until late October. Produced in immense quantities, the semi-double flowers are two inches across. Each 75c; 3 for \$2.00.

PLENTY A magnificent new hardy Aster from England. These lovely soft blue flowers are semi-double and two inches in diameter. They commence to bloom in early September and last well into October. Exceptionally fine for cutting and for the garden. Each 75c; 3 for \$2.00.

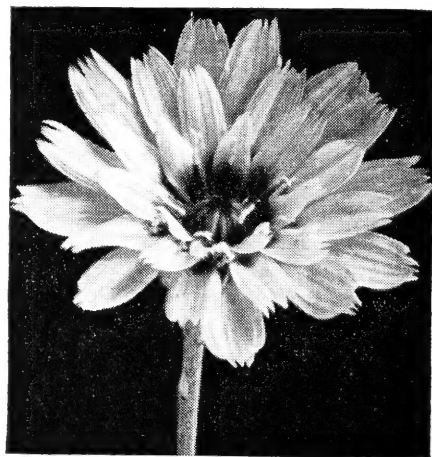
PROSPERITY (See Front Cover)

SPECIAL OFFER One each of the three varieties listed above **\$2.00**

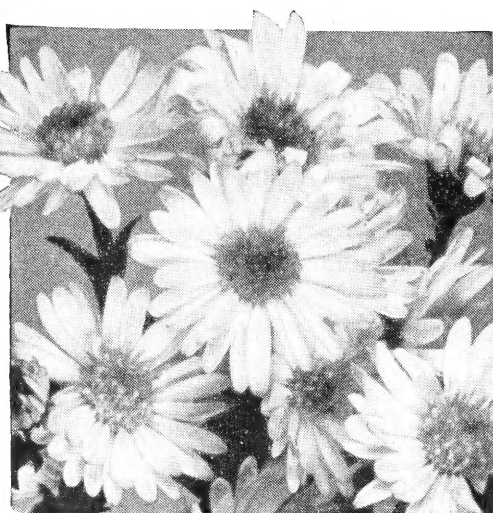
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(Love Plant)

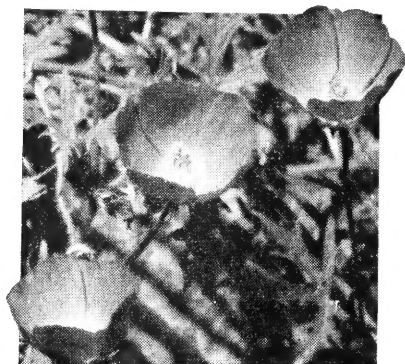
A native of southern Europe. Flowers are a pretty deep blue color borne on long stems. Profuse bloomer. Excellent as a cut flower. Produces great masses of blooms during July, August and September. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.



Catananche



Aster, Beechwood Challenger



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CHEIRANTHUS (Siberian Wallflower)

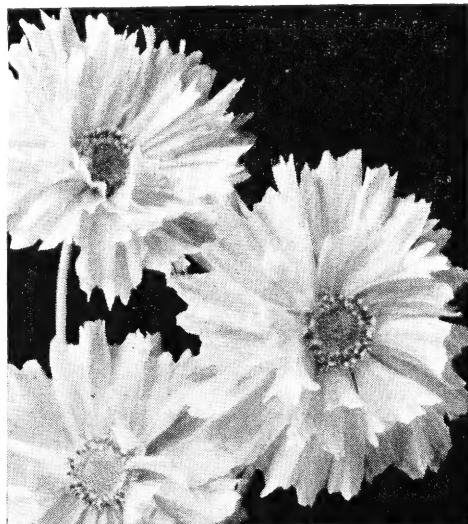
ALLIONII, GOLDEN BEDDER For a rich color display in the rockery or border be sure to include this charming plant. Plants reach a height of 12 inches and produce masses of bright golden yellow flowers during May and June. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

CENTAUREA (Hardheads, Knapweed)

MONTANA BLUE Large, showy flowers of deep blue color, somewhat resembling the annual Cornflower. Blooms from June until September. Grows 2 feet high; fine for the sunny border and cutting. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

COREOPSIS (Tickseed)

DOUBLE SUN-BURST (New Gold) A new variety which bears double flowers of large size and superb gold color. This is one of the most useful perennials for borders and cutting; easy to grow; blooms profusely from June until frost. Grows 3 feet tall. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.



Coreopsis



Cheiranthus



Centaurea

CARNATIONS

These hardy outdoor carnations are one of the most popular and useful flowers and should have a place in every garden. For spots of bright color, for delightful fragrance and for superb bouquets, they are unexcelled. Bloom practically all summer long.

BEATRICE The Everblooming Cluster Carnation. The color of salmon pink, these flower clusters measure 3 to 4 inches across. They are very fragrant and bloom from June until frost. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25.

CRIMSON KING (See Inside Back Cover)

SILVERMINE The finest of all double white carnations. This silvery-white flower blooms intermittently all summer long. Wonderfully fragrant and excellent for cutting. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25.

Carnation Grenadin

KING OF THE BLACKS One of the most outstanding Carnations. Large flowers of deepest maroon color and satiny black sheen. Delightfully fragrant. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

GOLDEN SUN Magnificent large flowers of clear golden yellow. Exquisite sweet fragrance. Plants are free-flowering and attain a height of 18 inches. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

PINK We highly recommend this Carnation for its outstanding clear pink color. Very free-flowering; spicily fragrant. A splendid cut flower type. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

RED A truly striking brilliant red color; makes a very showy display in the garden. Produces an abundance of magnificent blooms during June and July. Much desired for garden and bouquets. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

WHITE Every Carnation planting should include this sparkling white variety to complete the color range. Plants are extremely hardy; free-flowering. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

MIXED SHADES A veritable rainbow of colors! Delightfully fragrant flowers are produced in great abundance during June and July. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.



BEATRICE

DIANTHUS PLUMARIS (Clove Pinks)

New strains of the old-fashioned Hardy Pinks have brought this grand flower back into favor. Desirable for their exquisite fragrance and profusion of beautiful flowers, they deserve a place in every perennial planting.

HIGHLAND QUEEN, ROSE HYBRIDS One of the best perennial Dianthus offered today. Bright rose colored blooms with red center, are produced continually from May to November. Ideal for bedding, border or rockery. Delightfully fragrant. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

SPRING BEAUTY Large size, double blooms; typically carnation in form and fragrance. Wide range of mixed colors. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

SPECIAL OFFER

One each of Carnation

BEATRICE

CRIMSON
KING

\$1.25

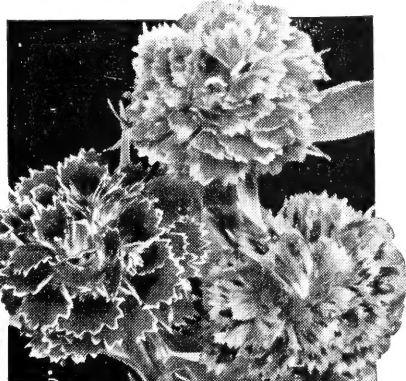
SILVERMINE

DIANTHUS (Everblooming)

LATIFOLIUS Atrococcineus Flora Plena. Beautiful summer blooming variety. Bears brilliant, fiery crimson flowers all summer. Hardy, vigorous grower. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

DIANTHUS (Species)

SWEET WIVELSFIELD A true perennial type of Dianthus. Bearing large single flowers. Comes in mixed colors only. Flowers excellent for mixed bouquets. Grows up to 18" high. Flowers come into bloom in June and last well. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.



Dianthus Spr. Beauty



Dianthus, Everblooming



Dianthus, Sweet Wivelsfield

GYPSOPHILA (Baby Breath)

One of the best known perennials and much loved for the delicacy of its blooms. For misty garden beauty and for use in mixed bouquets, it has no equal.

BRISTOL FAIRY Conceded to be the best double white Baby's Breath. We highly recommend this variety for its graceful beauty and wide popularity. We offer strong grafts from 2¼-inch pots. Each 60c; 4 for \$2.00.

PACIFICA Beautiful pearly-pink blooms in branching panicles; excellent for use in fall bouquets. Plants grow 18 inches tall and bloom during September and October. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

PANICULATA Dense, spreading bushy type which reaches a height of 3 feet. Countless tiny white blossoms completely hide the plant during the long flowering season from July until frost. Foliage is fine in texture and ornamental; may be dried for winter use. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

SNOW WHITE DOUBLE Grows only about 3 feet high and produces masses of small white flowers, mostly double. Much used at the ends of perennial borders for its misty, delicate atmosphere. Good for all types of bouquets. Blooms from July until frost. Each 30c; 3 for 75c; 6 for \$1.25; 12 for \$2.15.

ECHINOPS TAPLOW BLUE

(Globe Thistle)

Unusually beautiful flowers with spiny foliage and globular thistle-like flowers. Flowers are extremely large and an intense metallic blue. Very free flowering. Grows even in the most difficult dry soils. Hardy anywhere. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

DICENTRA SPECTABILIS

BLEEDING HEART An old-fashioned favorite popular with all generations since our grandmother's day. Lovely pink, heart-shaped flowers hang gracefully from tall sturdy stems. Plants are very hardy and bloom over a long period. Its ornamental foliage makes this perennial desirable both for the border and interior decoration. Each 75c; 3 for \$2.00.

FUNKIA LANCELOTA

This handsome, hardy perennial makes a fine display in the border, around pools and as edgings for walks. Lovely blue, lily-like flowers are borne on graceful spikes; blooms from July to August. The broad, lance-shaped green leaves are very attractive. Try a planting of this useful perennial—we know you will be pleased with the effect. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25.

DIANTHUS BARBATUS

(Sweet William)

An old-fashioned favorite of which we never tire. Plants are very hardy; easy to grow and produce masses of colorful blooms during June. Excellent for beds and cut flowers; grow 1½ to 2 ft. tall.

MIDGET MIXED Dwarf variety much used for borders. Mixed colors of wide range. Long blooming season. Perfectly hardy. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

NEWPORT PINK Beautiful salmon-pink color. A very effective single type; a vigorous grower. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

SCARLET BEAUTY Brightest scarlet color. Excellent for cutting and for massed display. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

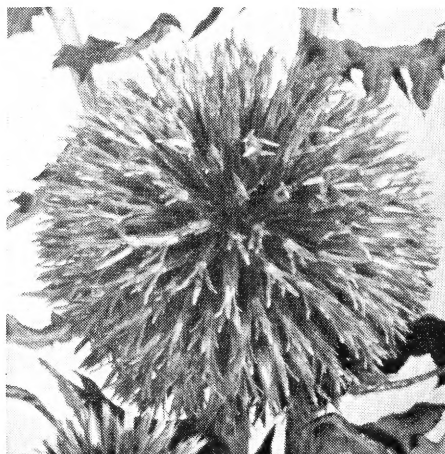
VAUGHAN'S SPECIAL MIXED Excellent strain of vigorous growing plants in a wide range of brilliant colors. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.



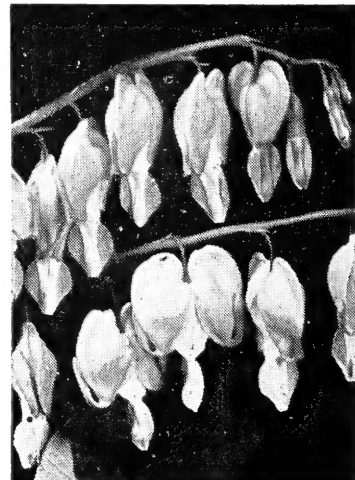
Funkia lanceolata



Dianthus Barbatus



Echinops, Ritro



Dicentra Spectabilis

GAILLARDIA

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HEUCHERA (Coral Bell)

Neat growing, graceful flowering plants which bear an abundance of dainty, bell-like blossoms. Plants have rosette-like clumps of attractive foliage from which stems arise to a height of 18 inches and carry their blooms in graceful panicles. These plants are delightful for edgings, borders and rock gardens.

ROSEA Outstanding beautiful deep pink color; very lovely contrasted with attractive foliage. Blooms over a long period and makes delightful bouquets. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25.

ROSAMUNDI One of the best coral-pink sorts. The plants are vigorous growers and produce an abundance of richly colored blossoms on tall stems which last over two months. Each 60c; 3 for \$1.50.

SANGUINEA Extremely bright crimson flowers are borne on tall, graceful spikes 18 inches tall. Very free-flowering; bloom from June to September. Each 60c; 3 for \$1.50.

SPECIAL OFFER

One each of the above varieties for **\$1.50**



Helianthemum



Heliopsis-Lemoine's

Double HOLLYHOCKS

No flower has more sentiment or is more closely associated with our early memories than the Hollyhock. Their colorful charm has a definite place in every garden; they are invaluable for screening purposes and equally useful as a background plant in borders.

NEWPORT PINK Magnificent double flowers of a shimmering pink color; tall, very strong stems.

SCARLET BEAUTY Brilliant scarlet flowers on tall stems; large, loosely formed blooms have slightly ruffled petals. Wonderful color for bold background.

DOUBLE LILAC Huge, double flowers in soft lavender shade. These tall, stately plants are colorful over a long period. Easy to grow.

DOUBLE ORANGE PRINCE Well shaped background petals of clear yellow with rosette of blushing orange in the center. Grows 6 feet tall; extremely hardy.

DOUBLE YELLOW Long, graceful spikes bear huge blooms of delicate, pastel yellow. Will grow successfully in any soil.

CHATER'S PRIZE MIXTURE Extremely large flowers with frilled outer petals and a double rosette in the center. Their complete range of shades add a riot of color in background plantings.

COLORADO SUNSET Beautiful, double blooms of glowing golden-orange; flowers measure 3½ inches and larger. Bloom from mid-summer until late fall.

DOUBLE SUPREME IMPERATOR Long flower spikes carry a profusion of beautiful double blooms with a broad collar of frilled and fringed petals. Colors are varied.

PRICES: Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

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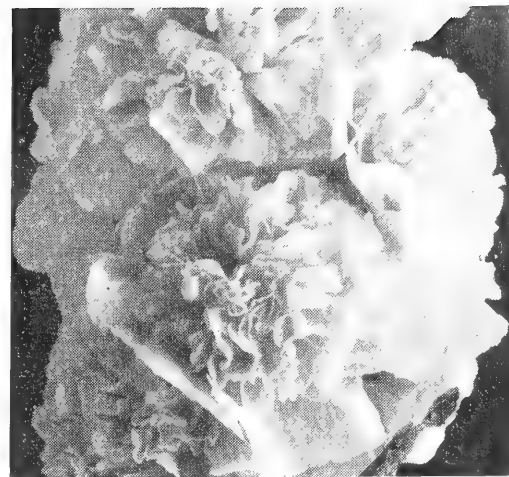
HELIOPSIS (Hardy Zinnia)

Outstanding for their hardiness and fine color. Plants are of compact growing habit, with strong straight stems. Very free flowering; valuable for cutting.

LEMOINE'S GIANT Large double blooms of golden yellow color; resembles a small double sunflower. Blooms from July until frost. Plants grow 2 to 3 feet tall, with strong stems; lovely for bouquets. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.



Heuchera



Double Flowering Hollyhock

HIBISCUS (Giant Mallow)

Unequalled for tall backgrounds or for specimen plants. Their large-leaved ornamental foliage is very desirable in the border. Tall, erect canes bear large, bell-shaped flowers which often measure 7 or 8 inches across. Plants are easily grown and very hardy; attain a height of 4 feet; bloom August. We offer the following varieties: Mallow Marvel, Pink; Mallow Marvel, Jumbo Red; Avalon Hybrids. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

HELIANTHEMUM

No plant is more beautiful or colorful for the rock garden, border or wherever a very low growing plant is desired. The multitude of brilliant colors and blooms add charm and beauty wherever used. Glossy green foliage is very attractive.

MUTABILIS, MIXED Beautiful hybrids of rose, white and yellow. Plants grow 6 to 10 inches high; bloom during May and June. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.



Hibiscus



Incarvillea



Perennial Sweet Pea

IBERIS (Hardy Candytuft)

These delightful plants have a very distinct place in the rockery or wherever a dwarf plant with evergreen foliage is needed. Plants are very hardy and rarely exceed 18 inches in height. Produce dense heads of blooms in early spring. Be sure to plant some this year.

GIBALTARICA Masses of lavender blossoms with evergreen foliage, bloom in early spring. Dwarf growth; splendid for edgings. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

SEMPERVIRENS Lovely white blossoms completely cover the plants in early spring; foliage is rich, dark green. Plants do well in light shade and are fine for ground cover in front of shrubs and edgings. Each 30c; 3 for 75c; 6 for \$1.25; 12 for \$2.15.

JACUNDA A very dwarf candytuft growing only about 4" high. Foliage is a beautiful blue-green which contrasts nicely with the pretty pink blooms. Foliage remains green all year. Excellent for borders. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

IRIS DICHOTOMA (Vesper Iris)

The beautiful filigree of graceful branches is studded with from 100 to 200 jewel-like flowers, and well established clumps have been known to produce 3500 blooms, truly a mammoth bouquet! Varying in color from cool translucent lavender with markings of mahogany, copper, lemon, orange-brown or tyrian, all in the same flower. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

HESPERALOE (Red Yucca)

An unusual and exciting perennial. Known throughout the country as Red Yucca. The leaves are long and narrow. Grows up to 4 ft. tall. Produces beautiful nodding rose-red flowers. Plants are very hardy. Be sure to plant some this year. 25c each; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

INCARVILLEA

(Hardy Gloxinia)

DELAVAYI One of the best of this variety. Produce beautiful rose-pink flowers on stiff 18" stems. Flowers are very showy. Plants are ideal for border. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

BREVIPIES A very beautiful red Incarvillea. Has handsome coarsely-toothed leaves and beautiful trumpet shaped flowers. Very hardy. Will grow almost anywhere in the country. Makes a very beautiful show as border with white Phlox. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.



Siberian Iris

IRIS SIBERICA (Siberian Iris)

CAESAR'S BROTHER This is the best of all dark blue Siberian Iris. The flowers are an unusually rich, black pansy-violet color. Plants grow 30 inches high. The beautiful depth of color and superb form of this variety, has won it an Honorable Mention award by the American Iris Society. Strong grower and heavy blooming type. Each 30c; 3 for 75c.



Iberis (Candytuft)

LAVENDULA (Lavender)

VERA (Munstead Strain) The real Sweet Lavender used and grown in our grandmother's day. A dwarf variety which grows in compact form, and bears exquisitely fragrant blue flowers. Plants grow about 18 inches high; blooms are borne on erect spikes during July and August. The fragrant flowers are highly valued for drying, for use in nosegays and potpourri. Each 35c; 3 for 95c; 6 for \$1.50; 12 for \$2.60.

LIATRIS

Blazing Star or Gayfeather

One of the taller growing perennials and very useful for perennial bed background. These showy plants do well in any type of soil and will thrive under adverse moisture conditions.

PYCNOSTACHYA Flower stems rise to a height of 6 feet, each topped by a foot-long flower spike of richly colored, rosy-purple bloom. Blossoms during July and August; excellent for cutting. Its unusual appearance attracts attention wherever grown. Each 35c; 3 for \$1.00; 6 for \$1.85.

LATHYRUS LATIFOLIUS

Hardy Perennial Sweet Pea

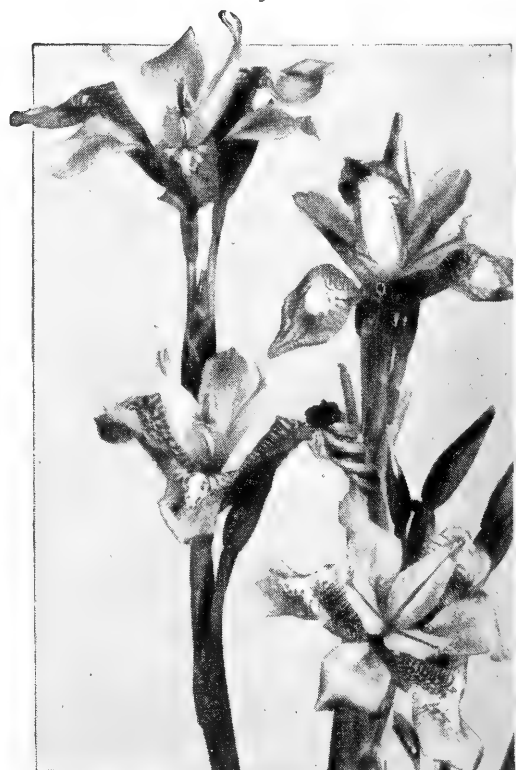
A climbing form of Sweet Pea which should be planted more generally in this country. Will quickly cover a trellis, fence or arbor. Blooms continuously from spring until fall. Colorful sweet pea blossoms are fragrant and make dainty cut flowers. Here is a pleasant way to disguise unsightly fences and walls. **MIXED COLORS:** Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

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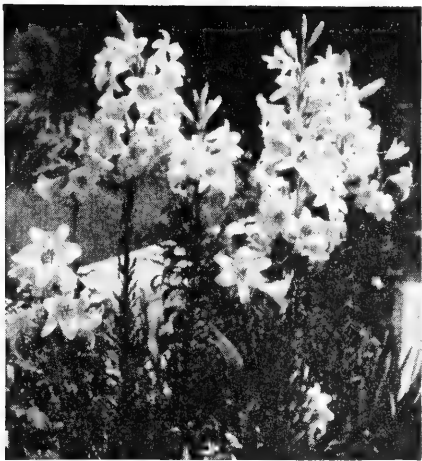
Dear Sir:

I received bulbs and perennials in the very best of condition. I especially commend you on your way of packing, it was the best I ever saw.

Yours truly,
Ray B. Clive



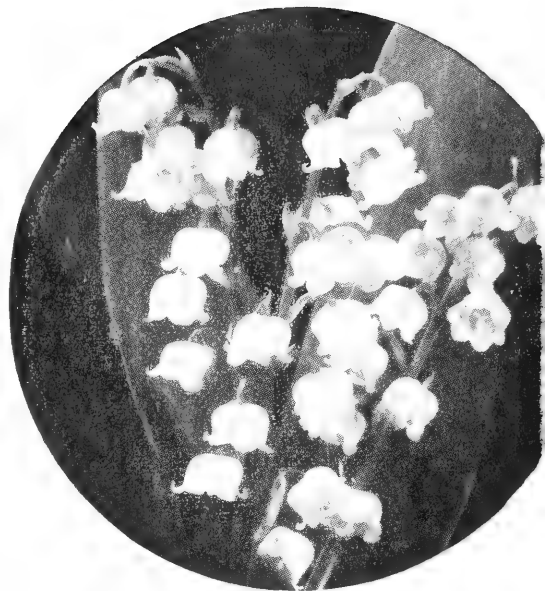
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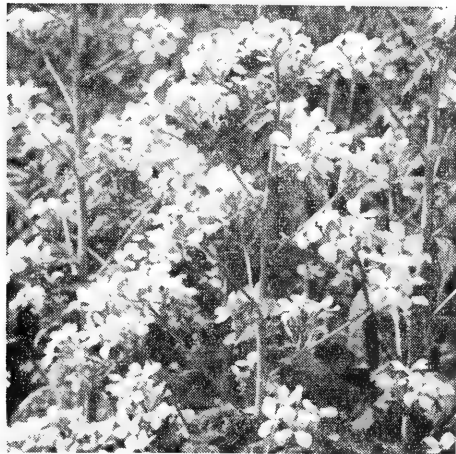
Madonna Lily

LILY-OF-THE-VALLEY (Convallaria)

One of the most familiar and most loved of all perennials. Will grow in shade or in spots where nothing else seems to grow; ideal for mass plantings near shrubs and along shaded borders. The exquisite, waxen-white, bell-shaped blossoms hang from 8 to 10-inch stems. Attractive green foliage is ornamental all season. These dainty tiny blooms with their delightful fragrance make charming bouquets and low centerpieces. Plants are prolific growers and spread rapidly. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.



Lily-of-The-Valley



Lunaria

LUNARIA (Alba)

Very similar to Everlastings. Plants grow very erect up to 2 to 3 ft. tall. Plants are covered with masses of white flowers. Flowers are followed by interesting flat papery seed pods which, when dried, will last all winter indoors. 25c each; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

LINUM

(Perennial Hardy Flax)

PERENNE A valuable plant for perennial borders. Grows about 2½ feet high. A free-flowering, hardy plant that is ideally suited for dry, sunny borders or rock gardens. Beautiful, pale blue flowers are borne on slender, graceful stems. Finely cut ornamental foliage adds to the attractiveness of this plant. Blooms from May to August; very desirable for use in mixed bouquets. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.



Regal Lily

LILIUM REGALE (Regal Lily)

One of the loveliest and hardiest lilies grown. The large, extraordinarily beautiful flowers make a colorful addition to any garden; center of flower flushed with yellow, shading to white at outer edges; outside of petals are streaked with brown on the ribs, shaded through the petals with a delightful pearly tint. Plants are vigorous; reach a height of 4 to 6 feet and are densely covered with fine foliage. Each 30c; 3 for 80c; 6 for \$1.40.

CALLA LILY

Tall, stately Calla Lilies are magnificent additions to any garden, and are particularly valuable for house or conservatory decoration.

YELLOW CALLA Deep golden yellow flowers, of large size and beautiful form. Green foliage, spotted white is equally attractive. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25.

PINK CALLA The exquisite pink color of this variety is quite unusual. Very effective for greenhouse or outdoor culture. Each 75c; 3 for \$2.00

These Bulbs for Spring Delivery Only

MADONNA LILY

Lilium Candidum One of the best known and best loved of all lilies. Large, pure white flowers with golden yellow anthers are outstanding for their exquisite form and substance. Very fragrant and free-flowering. Tall, sturdy stems reach a height of 3 to 4 feet, and carry 12 to 18 flowers. A hardy, prolific variety; thrives in all soils and exposures. Each 40c; 3 for \$1.00.

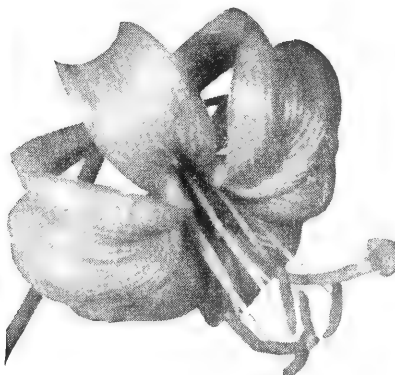
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Liatris

CORAL LILY

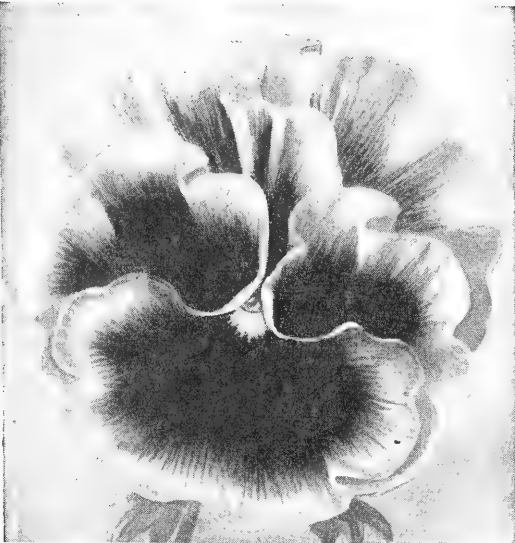
Lilium Tenuifolium A charming, colorful, early flowering lily. Plants produce flowers in clusters of 9 to 12 blooms on strong stems about 1½ feet tall. Flowers are a deep scarlet color with strong recurved petals of waxy texture. Plants bloom during June and are ideal for rock gardens or borders. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.



Coral Lily



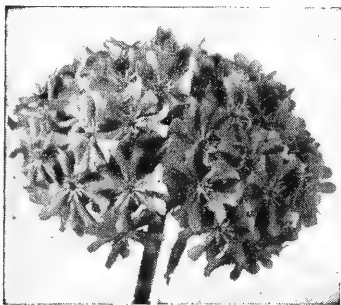
Linum



Super Swiss Pansy



Physalis



Lychnis

LYCHNIS (Campion or Catchfly)

An artistic perennial which has been cultivated for centuries in some parts of the world. Particularly noted for its brilliantly colored flower heads and extreme hardiness. Plants are easy to grow and do especially well in sunny borders and rock gardens. Ideal for lively color in your border during late summer and early autumn.

CHALCEDONICA (Maltese Cross)

Vivid scarlet flowers in flat heads come into bloom over a long period. Attains a height of 2½ feet; fine for cut flowers. For a brilliant display of color in your perennial border this fall, be sure to include this fascinating plant. Each 25c; 3 for 90c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

ARKWRIGHT Another large Hybrid Lychnis with star shaped flowers of a dazzling deep red color. Several flowers in one head. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

Super Swiss PANSIES

These are the giant flowering varieties which have gained renown throughout America as well as in Europe. They are of exceptional size and almost unbelievable beauty. Plants are strong growers and bloom abundantly; flowers are borne on tall, sturdy stems. Foliage is unusually attractive and luxuriant. When you buy Pansy plants it pays to buy the best. We believe you will be highly pleased with these Giant Swiss varieties.

GIANT MIXED The largest flowers in a veritable rainbow of colors. For gay borders and bedding these well-balanced shades are truly ideal. 6 for 90c; 12 for \$1.50; 24 for \$2.50.

POLEMONIUM

A popular well known flower growing 1 to 3 ft. high. Bears beautiful 5 lobed, bell shaped flowers nearly an inch across. The showy loose flower heads and finely cut foliage make an attractive plant for borders. Very hardy. Comes in sky blue or white. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

MATRICARIA (Feverfew)

This splendid plant is much used for low growing beds. Very compact in growth, with strongly scented ornamental foliage. Produces masses of blooms in late summer and early fall. Grows 10 to 15 inches high. Its attractive foliage and lovely flowers make perfectly charming bouquets.

BALL'S DOUBLE WHITE This is the only fully double flowering, pure white strain. We guarantee 98% true to description and highly recommend this variety. Each 25c; 3 for 90c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

BALL'S DOUBLE GOLDEN This new variety is similar in growth habit to the Double White described above, except it produces masses of rich, golden colored blooms. Each 25c; 3 for 90c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

MYOSOTIS (Forget-me-not)

Most people are familiar with these dainty flowering Forget-me-nots which bring so much beauty and charm to the spring landscape. For the rockery, or walk edgings or around the pool, they are equally delightful.

ALPESTRIS Grows only 12 inches high and is universally loved for its tiny, clear blue flowers in early spring. Each 30c; 3 for 75c; 6 for \$1.25; 12 for \$2.15.

OUR GUARANTEE

We exercise great care in keeping our stock true to name. We guarantee all our stock to be of the highest quality and to arrive in good condition.

RUDBECKIA

PURPUREA Lovely deep toned flowers. Plants are hardy, free flowering and easily grown. Is very much like the Sun Flower in habit. Excellent for either sunny or partially shaded borders. Flowers are very showy and ideal for cutting. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.



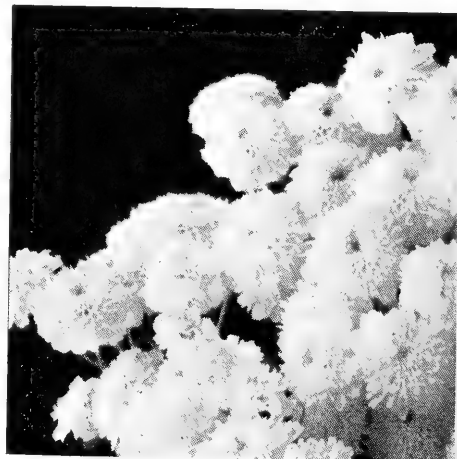
Lythrum

PHYSALIS (Chinese Lanterns)

FRANCHETTI Loved for its brilliant orange-red, lantern-like pods which are used for gay winter bouquets. Sturdy plants produce as many as 30 pods; when cut and dried they last indefinitely. One of the easiest perennials to grow; does well in any type of soil. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

LYTHRUM

THE BEACON These showy plants are best suited to moist, shady borders and waterside planting. Gorgeous 3-foot spikes are covered with tiny, rosy-red florets which last a month or more. These attractive, stately plants make a colorful display in the garden and are excellent for bouquets. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.



Matricaria

Exotic POPPIES

Iceland Poppies

(Papaver Nudicaule) One of the best and most popular types. Flowers in June and throughout the summer. Grows as tufted clumps from which graceful stems bear large, silky flowers of the most delicate appearance.

THE EMPEROR Finest giant Poppy in a rich tangerine-orange color of new form, with over-lapping fluted petals, giving effect of semi-double-ness. Grows 18 to 22 inches tall. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

THE EMPRESS Large, full flower; well formed with overlapping petals, deeply fluted or wrinkled. Colors range from lovely shades of salmon-rose to creamy pink. Height 1½ feet. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

KELMSCOTT STRAIN The best strain. Large flowers in beautiful colors. Their enormous blooms and rich colors are very striking. About 3 ft. high. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

RED CARDINAL Exceptionally large flowers in a brilliant cardinal-red shade. Vivid coloring. Grows 12 to 18 inches tall. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

SCABIOSA (Pincushion Flower) (See Inside Back Cover)



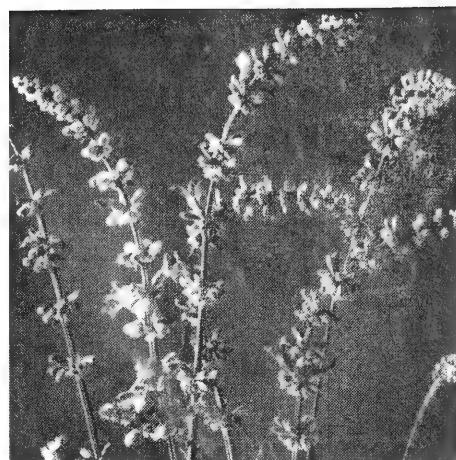
Saponaria



Veronica

SALVIA

AZUREA A showy hardy flower that is a must for every garden. Deep blue flowers borne on tall strong stems. Bear practically all summer and early Autumn. Grow 3 to 4 feet tall. Each 30c; 3 for 75c; 6 for \$1.25 and 12 for \$2.15.



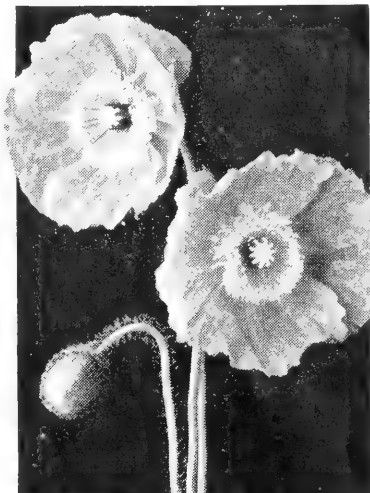
Salvia

SAPONARIA

A free flowering and easily grown rock plant. Suitable also as a border. Plants are dwarf in growth with a tufted compact flower. Blooms profusely during the spring months. Easy to grow. Flowers are beautiful rosy-pink color. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

VERONICA

LONGIFOLIA The handsomest of blue flowering plants. Blooms July to September. Grows 2 ft. tall. Very hardy. Spikes are completely studded with beautiful blue flowers. Very fine as a cut flower. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.



Iceland Poppy

PLATYCODON

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PYRETHRUM

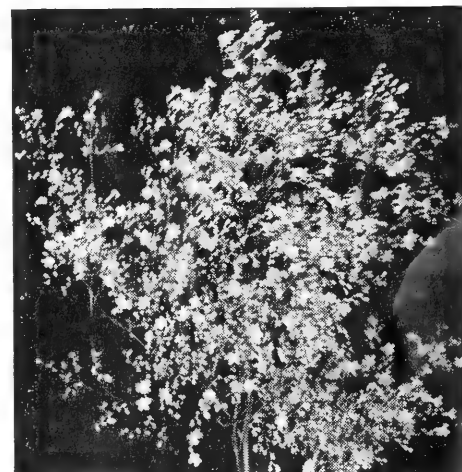
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STOKESIA

(Cornflower Aster)

Rich green ornamental foliage from which 12-inch stems arise, each topped by an exquisite aster-like bloom with finely divided petals. This handsome perennial should be included in every garden, for its beauty of form and color during late summer.

CYANEA, BLUE Immense flowers of a clear azure blue are outstandingly beautiful against the rich green of the foliage. An excellent cutting variety. Plant blooms from July to September. A vigorous-growing and free-flowering variety of exceptional merit and distinction. A most worthwhile addition to the hardy plant garden. Be sure to plant some this year. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

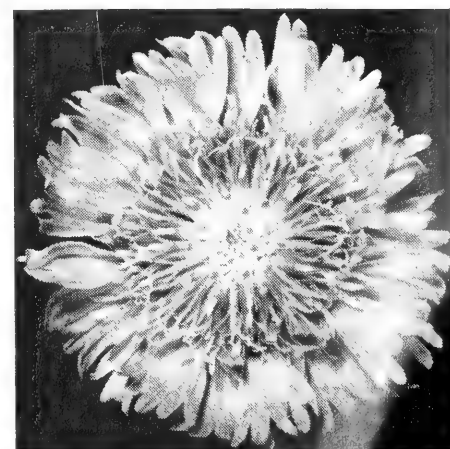


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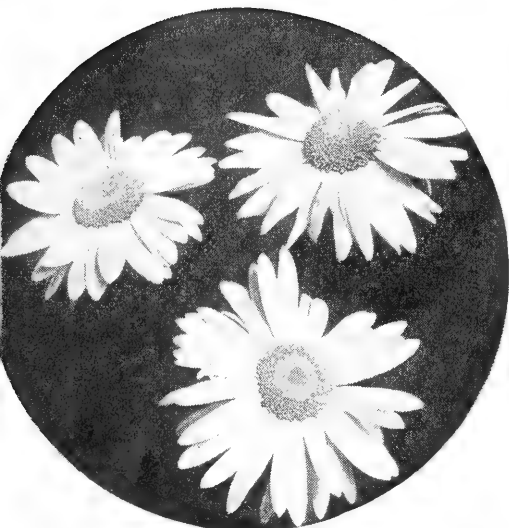
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(Great Sea Lavender)

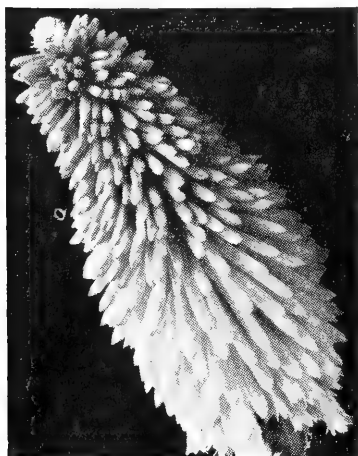
LATIFOLIA Grows in fine lace-like form with a profusion of misty purplish-blue blossoms. This perennial has almost year-around usefulness since it may be dried and used for winter decoration; it will keep for months. Unexcelled for filler in floral arrangements; valuable for the rockery. Plants grow 18 inches high. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.



Stokesia



Shasta Daisy



Tritoma

MINT PLANTS

A nice mint bed in your garden is one of the most useful things you can have for your kitchen enjoyment. These can be used for garnishing lamb and other meats, for ice tea, and if you like the mint julep, we have the genuine spearmint that is best for this purpose.

6 Runners for 50c;
12 for \$1.00, postpaid.

After June 1st plants can be had with tops.

3 for 50c 7 for \$1.00

SHASTA DAISY (Moonpenny)

One of the most widely known and used of all perennials. Constant improvements and the introduction of new strains have made them one of the most beautiful and sure-to-grow plants that you can have in your garden. Always showy in mass plantings and equally desirable as cut flowers.

ALASKA The best known variety. Improvements in the strain now results in longer, stronger stems and larger flowers. Glistening white blooms with large golden centers are produced freely throughout summer. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

DIENER'S DOUBLE FRINGED WHITE Immense white blooms with very attractive fringed edge; nearly all double. Vigorous, tall growing with strong stems. Each 30c; 3 for 75c; 6 for \$1.25; 12 for \$2.15.

TRITOMA (Red Hot Poker)

PFITZERI This spectacular plant with foliage resembling that of the Yucca, will make a brilliant display of color in the autumn garden. Strong, 24-inch stems are topped with a large cone-shaped spike of dazzling orange. Use them generously to highlight your garden. They are exceptionally good for cutting too because of their long-lasting qualities and for the unusually beautiful floral arrangements possible when combined with other flowers. You will be pleased with this graceful plant. Each 40c; 3 for \$1.10; 6 for \$2.00.

VIOLET

ROYAL ROBE The lustrous deep violet-blue blossoms are delicately fragrant and open out flat like a Pansy. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25.

Violas

VIOLAS (Hardy Tufted Pansies)

One of the most popular edging and bedding flowers. In bloom nearly eight months of the year! Loved for their dwarf size, colorfulness and free-blooming habit.

ARKWRIGHT RUBY Rich ruby-red color with satiny sheen. Free-flowing; fragrant; excellent for cutting. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

BLACK IMP Quaint little flowers of a rich glossy black with bright yellow eye. Very showy. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

CHANTREYLAND Beautiful blooms of purest apricot without any shading of orange. Blooms all summer. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

JERSEY GEM Rich, shimmering violet-blue color. Blooms from April until snow falls. Its exquisite fragrance, free-flowering habit and extreme hardiness make this one of the finest Violas. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

WALLER FRANKLIN MIXED Mixture of gay blues and yellows. Especially desirable for bedding or colorful edgings. Plants produce a profusion of blooms. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

VALERIANA

(Garden Heliotrope)

COCCINEA RUBRA Bright red flower heads are borne in abundance on 12-inch stems all through the summer months. Rich green foliage. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

ALBA Produces showy heads of beautiful clear white color. Very profuse bloomer. Ideal for borders, banks or wall plantings. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.



Colorful Tuberous BEGONIAS

Perhaps no other plant is so valuable as the tuberous-rooted Begonia for those hard-to-fill shady areas in the garden. Their lovely colors range from pastel shades to bright yellows, salmon and deep crimsons. Coming into bloom in July, magnificently large flowers measuring 4 inches and more across, are borne well above the attractive foliage. In addition to their use in the garden, they make excellent plants in pots for indoor bloom. (Available until June 15th only).

CARNATION TYPE Produces a large, double flower, resembling a Carnation in form. The petals are frilled and have serrated edges. **Mixed only.** Each 30c; 3 for 80c; 6 for \$1.50; 12 for \$2.75.

HANGING BASKET OR PENDULA TYPE Small double flowers, similar to Camellia type, but borne in cascades for hanging baskets or pots. Set in that shady spot that needs some color. **Mixed only.** Each 30c; 3 for 80c; 6 for \$1.50; 12 for \$2.75.

MULTIFLORA TYPE Produces hundreds of medium sized flowers on each plant. Withstands heat and direct sunlight better than other types. **Mixed only.** Each 30c; 3 for 80c; 6 for \$1.50; 12 for \$2.75.

NARCISSAFLOA or DAF-FODIL TYPE Flowers resemble a trumpet daffodil. A mixture of lovely shades of yellow, salmon, orange and scarlet. **Mixed only.** Each 30c; 3 for 80c; 6 for \$1.50; 12 for \$2.75.

PICOTEE TYPE A camellia-type blossom with the edges of the petals in a different shade of color. **Mixed only.** Each 30c; 3 for 80c; 6 for \$1.50; 12 for \$2.75.

ROSEBUD TYPE Flowers of the most exquisite form resembling perfect rosebuds, with beautiful two-tone, pastel coloring. Each 30c; 3 for 80c; 6 for \$1.50; 12 for \$2.75.



New RED TRIUMPH

A ruffled camellia-type of ruby-red with a velvety texture. This is the beautiful new Red Triumph that was featured in Life Magazine recently. The blooms are very large and make a perfectly gorgeous display. Each \$1.10; 3 for \$3.00; 6 for \$5.50; 12 for \$10.00.

SPECIAL LOW BEGONIA OFFERS on BACK COVER

DAYLILIES

(Hemerocallis)

One of the Easiest to grow
of All Plants

Valuable for their large, showy flowers and variety of bright colors; for use in borders, shady areas and cutflower garden. We have been propagating and increasing our stock of these splendid plants for several years and now have a sufficient stock to offer them to our customers. These are some of the best varieties offered by any grower and many of them are very new. The plants below are all 2-year field grown.

FULVA Bright orange-yellow. Blooms in July; height 40 inches. Excellent for naturalizing. Each 25c.

HYPERION The finest citron-yellow available. Delightfully fragrant. Blooms in July and August. Height 40 inches. Each \$1.00.

KWANZO FLORA PLENA Large, double blooms of golden bronze. A really unique variety. Height 36 inches. Blooms in July and August. Each 50c.

LINDA Soft, pale amber-yellow with throat a deeper tone. The three

main petals are heavily ruffled while the three separating petals are not, creating a very pleasing effect. Each \$1.00.

MODESTY Large flowering; pale yellow color. Blooms in June and July. Height 30 inches. Each 50c.

THERON Beautiful dark red-purple. Very unusual. Grows 36" high. Blooms in July. Each 75c.

RUSSELL'S MINUET A gem for the foreground of the border, and very floriferous. Sepals a soft yellow, wide petals rosy-brown and ruffled. Each \$2.00.

SUNBEAM One of the most beautiful canary-yellow Daylilies. Blooms in May and June. Well suited to border use or as a low hedge. Completely hardy. Thrives in any soil. Each 50c.



SPECIAL OFFER

One each of the above \$5.25
varieties for only

HARDY FIELD GROWN PHLOX

ANNIE LAURIE One of the best salmon-reds. Beautiful, large trusses. Sturdy grower.

BLUE BOY Near blue color with violet cast. For a striking contrast, plant with Mary Louise. Plants are of medium height and very free flowering.

BORDER QUEEN Massive flower heads of deep watermelon-pink. Individual florets are unusually large.

CHARLES CURTISS Brilliant cherry-red. Tall growing variety; makes a very showy display in the border.

CHIEFTAIN Rich, brilliant red. Flower heads are extremely large and long lasting. Blooms profusely.

COUNT ZEPPLIN Pure white florets with vivid, red eye; non-fading. Should be included in every Phlox planting.

DAILY SKETCH Extra large florets of light pink with carmine eye. Rugged, tall grower; unusually large trusses.

ETHEL PRITCHARD Beautiful soft lavender; blends well with other colors.

FAIRY KING Immense flower heads of soft lavender. Luxuriant foliage. Fine for the border and bouquets.

FLASH An unusual and effective color combination; florets are a rich carmine-rose with orange-scarlet center. Strong grower and prolific bloomer.

GEORGE STIPP A very outstanding Phlox of glowing salmon-coral with shaded lighter eye. Blooms all summer.

HARVEST FIRE Large trusses of fiery salmon-orange; individual florets often measure 2 inches across. A vigorous, tall growing, free blooming variety.

IRENE Lovely, clear cherry-red color. Outstanding for its brilliant color and large flower heads.

LEO SCHLAGETER Glowing, brilliant red color. Considered the flashiest and brightest of all red Phlox.

LILLIAN One of the most distinctive new Phlox ever introduced. Unusually large trusses of a delightful soft pink.

No flower will lend more color and beauty to your garden than a mass planting of Hardy Phlox. They thrive under average conditions, bloom freely over a long period of time and are equally satisfactory when used in beds and borders.

We are growers of Phlox and have an unusually fine assortment of field

grown plants. These are one-year plants, the best size for transplanting. All are well rooted and have bloomed in our fields, so we know they are all true to name. Phlox will start blooming early in July and continue through August into September.

Your choice of varieties listed, Each 40c; 3 of one variety for \$1.10.



Leo Schlageter

MARY LOUISE Large, conical heads of pure white. A fine new variety that blooms throughout the summer.

PINK CHARM Beautiful, bright pink with a scarlet sheen. Lends color and beauty to any garden. Strong, vigorous grower; free flowering.

PRIME MINISTER Large trusses of clear pure white with bright red eye.

PROGRESS Heavenly blue with a white center. Large flowering type

providing a distinct contrast in color values. Profuse bloomer; robust grower, adds to its popularity.

SALMON BEAUTY Delightful shade of salmon-pink with large, white eye. Individual florets are extra large and well-formed.

SAN ANTONIO Extra large trusses and florets. Color is a vivid, flaming carmine shaded plum. Outshines all others for brilliancy of color. One of the best new, tall growing Phlox.

THOR Deep salmon-pink with a distinctive scarlet overtone. Large, well shaped trusses on strong stems.



Thor

PHLOX COLLECTION NO. 1

One each of the 22 varieties listed
on this page
for only ...

\$7.50

PHLOX COLLECTION NO. 2

Phlox, all labeled
6 our selection
for only ...

\$1.95

NEWEST PHLOX VARIETIES

Outstanding Field-Grown
Plants — Masses of Blooms

RUTH MAY Offered for the first time this year. A new Phlox of medium height. Dense flower heads. Color is silver pink with contrasting red eye.

BRIGADIER A new light red that provides perfect balance in any planting. Extremely large flowering.

PURPLE HEART Beautiful glowing purple Phlox that has drawn praise throughout the country. Large flowering.

SIR JOHN FALSTAFF A beautiful Phlox that will complete your planting.

Each 75c; 3 of one Variety \$2.00.

4 "NEW" Phlox Plants
1 Each of the **\$2.75**
Above Varieties For

ATTENTION

See our special offer on
"Cushion Mums" by color on
the front cover.

Save 40% Plant Baby PHLOX

These are well established crown or root cuttings that will grow and produce some blooms this year. Make your garden dollars buy more by ordering some of these fine Baby Phlox. Available from May 15th to June 15th. Order early. Plants will be sent prepaid when ready to transplant. Varieties listed below:

ANNIE LAURIE Best salmon-red.
BORDER QUEEN Deep water-melon-pink.

CHARLES CURTISS Bright cherry-red.

COUNT ZEPPELIN White; red eye.
CHIEFTAIN Brilliant red.

DAILY SKETCH Pink; carmine eye.

ETHEL PRITCHARD Soft lavender.

FAIRY KING Delicate lavender.

FLASH Carmine-rose; scarlet eye.

GEORGE STIPP Coral with lighter eye.

HARVEST FIRE Salmon-orange.

IRENE Lovely, clear cherry-red.

LEO SCHLAGETER Brightest red.

LILLIAN Distinctive soft pink.

MARY LOUISE Finest pure white.

PRIME MINISTER Pinkish white; red eye.

PINK CHARM Pink with scarlet sheen.

PROGRESS Blue with white center.

SALMON BEAUTY Salmon-pink; white eye.

SAN ANTONIO Fiery carmine, shaded plum.

THOR Salmon-pink; scarlet over-tone.

6 of one variety for \$1.25.

SPECIAL OFFER

10 Unlabeled Baby Phlox
our selection, for **\$1.50**

New BABY PHLOX

RUTH MAY Beautiful silver pink with contrasting red eye. Sure to please.

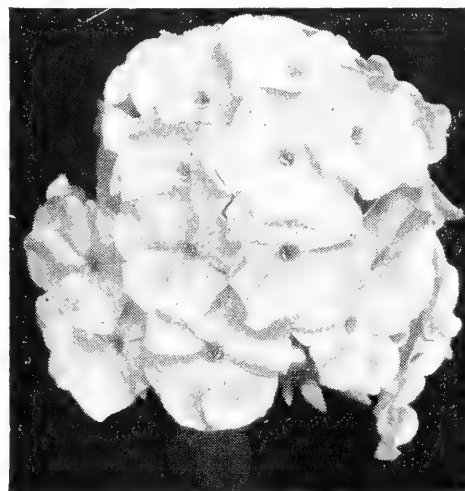
BRIGADIER A new light red that stands out. Fine for cutting.

PURPLE HEART A large flowering glowing purple Phlox. Hardy.

CHERRY RIPE An exciting cherry red color. Very hardy.

6 of one variety for \$1.50.

4 PHLOX, 1 Each of **\$1.00**
Above Varieties



Name Varieties CUSHION 'MUMS

Dwarf in height, hardy, colorful and the most prolific bloomers we know of among plants. Begin blooming in July. Each plant produces hundreds of buds and flowers from then until the last fall freezes. Unexcelled for borders and mass plantings. One plant alone is a small flower garden.

CAMILLA A new, rich cherry red.

One of our own introductions. The rich color makes a striking effect in the garden, and in floral arrangements.

In 2 1/4" pots: Each 45c; 3 for \$1.10.

DWARF JEWEL A compact little gem. Perfectly formed, ball-shaped blooms of a very pleasing soft lavender shade.

Candy

In 2 1/4" pots: Each 45c; 3 for \$1.10.

JOAN HELEN Sparkling garnet-red shading to purple; bright yellow center. Blooms early September.

In 2 1/4" pots: Each 45c; 3 for \$1.10.

ROUGE CUSHION Gorgeous blooms of a brilliant bright red. Stands out in any garden. In 2 1/4" pots. Each 45c; 3 for \$1.10.



ROOTED CUTTINGS

We offer rooted cuttings in the
following varieties only:

ALABASTER
CHARLES NYE
SEPTEMBER SUNSHINE
ELIZABETH BYAM
RED VELVET
WHITE TOWER

GLADWIN
LAVENDER LADY
MRS. DUPONT
CANDY
CRUSADER
LEDA

Special Offer of Rooted Cuttings

One each of the above varieties
unlabeled, postpaid, for only

\$2.25



Gladwin

SEPTEMBER SERIES MUMS

SEPT. DAWN One of the finest deep pinks. Fully double, 3-inch blooms.

SEPT. SHELL Lovely soft pink flowers from Sept. 1st on. A Mt. Ranier Hybrid 24 inches high. Flowers 2 inches. Double.

SEPT. SUNSHINE Brilliant yellow blooms completely cover compact, well-rounded plants from mid-September until frost. Fine for low border and cutting.

Prices on the above varieties in 2¼" pots; Each 45c; 3 for \$1.10.

NOTICE: ALL PRICES ARE POSTPAID To Your Door in Continental U. S. A.



Fred F. Rockwell

RICHARDS' Futuristic MUMS

Due to danger of frost, all 'mum plants will be shipped to the northern states only after May 1st, unless otherwise specified. Shipments to southern states after January 1st. (AVAILABLE UNTIL JUNE 15th ONLY).

ALERT (Becker, 1948) Large, fully double, 3-inch, dark purple flowers; nonfading. Abundant bloom; very showy.

BLACK VELVET (Becker, 1945) Rather late, dark red, double flowering cushion. Hardy; always dependable.

LAVENDER MOUND Loveliest of all lavender 'Mums. Blooms profusely, making a gorgeous mound of very bright lavender.

GLADWIN Lovely pink; resembles the English Leda. The many long fluffy petals gradually lighten with age, yet stay attractive and fully double. The 32-inch bush branches from the ground making very large sprays. Very hardy.

Prices on above varieties in 2¼" pots: Each 60c; 3 for \$1.50.

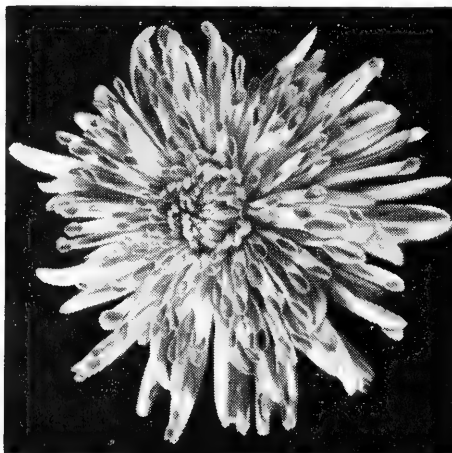
Popular SPOON MUMS

Unusual new type of hardy Chrysanthemum that deserves a place in every 'mum planting. Their unique appearance and brilliant color combinations will add a note of "delightful novelty" to your garden. Individual flower petals are quilled or tubular most of their length, flattening out near tip to resemble a tiny spoon. Bear loads of blooms during late fall; plants are hardy, vigorous growers. We offer the following varieties:

**CHARM SPOON IVORY SPOON
PUMPKIN SPOON**

Prices on above varieties in 2¼" pots; Each 45c; 3 for \$1.10.

ALL 'MUMS LISTED AVAILABLE UNTIL JUNE 15th ONLY



Spoon Mum

ORCHID HELEN A sturdy 18-inch bush, completely covered with 3-inch double, pink-orchid flowers. Petals are unusually stiff, adding to its beauty.

WHITE TOWER (Becker, 1947) A sturdy perfect pompon with broad petals, first creamy white, then opening pure white. A good cutting variety. Very free flowering.

LUCKY 13

New, outstanding yellow pompon 'Mum. Very hardy; prolific bloomer. Color is a bright, golden yellow. Blooms Oct. 1st. Each, 75c; 3 for \$2.00.

Patented MUMS

Here we are offering some entirely new creations. Each one possessing qualities which makes them outstanding and different from anything now in existence. We know you'll be highly pleased and delighted with these glamorous new introductions.

FRED F. ROCKWELL (Plant Patent No. 718) The most gorgeous blending of bronze and orange scarlet tones ever seen in a pompon; retains its full brilliance far into the 'Mum season.

KOREAN PRINCESS (Plant Patent No. 640) The first anemone-flowered Korean Hybrid. Color is a rich bronze red changing to soft strawberry crimson; the inner petals tipped golden bronze—a charming tapestry effect.

SUMMERTIME (Plant Patent No. 689) Bred specifically for summer flowering, it does just that. Masses of fragrant, glistening yellow blossoms from late July on. Single blossoms 2" across, bright lemon to bronze yellow, are produced in great abundance.

All potted plants. Each 75c; 3 for \$2.00; 12 for \$7.50.

Note: Chrysanthemums Fred F. Rockwell, Korean Princess, and Summertime are being grown under license from the patent owner and sold subject to all patent restrictions.

Fayette, Mo.

Dear Sir:

The 'Mum plants arrived in excellent condition. They were beautifully packed and arrived nice and fresh looking.

Yours truly,
Mrs. W. W. Lusby

Choice Newer Varieties of

HARDY 'MUMS

BEACON Fully double blooms of coral-apricot, shading to flaming nasturtium-orange at center. Splendid for cutting with its large 4-inch flowers and tall, strong stems.

CARMINE QUEEN Large, double flowers of rich carmine-red. Tall, strong stems; a luxuriant cutflower.

CARNIVAL New 1948. A large gleaming burnt-orange flower on an excellent plant with lusty green foliage. This is an ideal plant for cutting.

CANARY WONDER A sport of the matchless White Wonder. Perfect 1½-inch balls in utterly new shades of soft canary-primrose-yellow; the first pompon of its color. A superb color accent for your garden.

CECIL BEED Deep lavender-pink. Splendid early type; fully double flowers. Very dependable, prolific bloomer. Tall, vigorous grower.

FASHION Two-toned rosewood pink; semi-double. An important cutflower variety.

FLAXEN BEAUTY Like a huge 4-inch Cactus Dahlia is this charming blend of soft coral, gold and bronze. Loveliest in its final stages, with the blond shade of flax ready for harvest.

HUNTSMAN Vivid scarlet-orange overlaid with bronze tints; an outstanding color for your fall garden. Rugged, hardy plants are simply loaded with large, 3-inch double blooms.

Prices on above varieties in 2¼" pots: Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25.

MONEY-SAVING BARGAIN

If you do not care for names of your 'Mums, but are interested in a beautiful splash of fall colors, we believe you will want to take advantage of this special MONEY-SAVING OFFER.

In our display gardens we grow our very finest varieties. This year we had a surplus of plants—something like 50,000—and so we can offer you assorted, unlabeled root divisions THAT WILL BLOOM THIS FALL.

LOW POSTPAID PRICES

10	unlabeled root divisions, assorted colors, for only	\$1.25
25	unlabeled root divisions, assorted colors, for only	\$2.50
50	Unlabeled root divisions, assorted colors, for only	\$4.00
100	unlabeled root divisions, assorted colors, for only	\$6.75

MOONBEAMS A rare shade of delicate primrose-yellow. Those who like soft colors will really go for this lovely new 'Mum. Blooms 3½ inches across, fully double and fluffy. Strong grower and very free flowering.

MISTY MAID Beautiful new variety bred from Betty. Deep rose-pink buds open to the most delicate shell-pink, nearly white in full bloom. Immense flowers borne in airy sprays, perfect for cutting.

PATRICIA LEHMAN Sparkling geranium pink with peach center. Recurved and twisted petals give fluffy, feathery effect. Blooms late September.

PAPER WHITE Gleaming, pure white blooms, fully double, of fine texture. Early, dwarf variety; exceptionally fine in the North.

ROBINHUE Very large blooms of bright red. Fully double, decorative type. A topnotch cutflower variety in every respect.

WHITE CLOUD Outstanding white Mum. Sturdy grower and very free flowering; produces a great profusion of immense, pure white blooms. Splendid for contrast among other Mums; lovely for indoor floral arrangements.

YELLOW AVALANCHE A sensational new yellow. Big, fluffy blooms of a rich golden-yellow shade. A bud sport of the white variety.

YELLOW CACTUS A large sulphur-yellow 'mum with flowers measuring over 3 inches across. A flowery mass that blooms about October 5th.

YELLOW CHRIS COLUMBUS Similar to Chris Columbus, except color is yellow. Large, double blooms are produced in abundance from late September on.

Prices on above varieties in 2¼" pots: Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25.

GOLDEN CARPET

An entirely different and unusual 'Mum that is well named, for it resembles a creeping carpet loaded with golden-yellow pompons. Plants grow only 12 inches high, yet spread 2 feet or more across, making it the finest 'Mum plant for edging, borders or rock gardens; also ideally suited for ranch type houses. Plants are loaded with perfect little globes of glowing yellow from mid-September on. There is nothing like Golden Carpet in present gardens—we believe it is destined for great popularity. Price: Each 60c; 3 for \$1.50; 6 for \$2.75; 12 for \$5.50.



Beacon

ALL 'MUMS LISTED AVAILABLE UNTIL JUNE 15th ONLY

April 24, 1951

Sirs:
Just received the plants ordered. They were very nice. Have them planted.

Respectfully,
Mrs. Sarah E. Denny,
Port Orchard, Wash.



Huntsman





Chippewa

SPECIAL BALANCED COLLECTIONS

The Chrysanthemums offered in these Special Balanced Collections are all listed and described in this catalog.

Your choice of any one of these Collections postpaid, for only..... **\$2.25**

Your choice of any 3 of these Collections postpaid, for only..... **\$6.25**

All 5 of the Special Balanced Collections, postpaid, for only..... **\$10.00**

Favorite 'Mums OLD and NEW

AVALANCHE Big, fluffy, white flowers, measuring 5 inches across. Truly Queen of the Whites. Perfectly formed blooms in profusion from Sept. on.

BETTY Splendid upright plant; double flowers of rose-pink without a trace of magenta. One of the finest new pinks.

CHIPPEWA A universal favorite! Enormous double flowers of aster-purple; petals slightly incurved. Does especially well in northern sections.

GOLDEN MOUND New 1950. Lovely golden-yellow cushion 'mum. Loads of 2-inch flowers cover plants, making a colorful mound of gold.

JAYEFF Deep positive pink with a dazzling sheen. No other color or flower form like it. Flowers are huge, 4" or more without disbudding. Blooms in September; height 24 inches.

MAID MARION Early blooming. Lovely pearly-pink shading to clear white. Fluffy 2½" flowers. Strong grower; very hardy.

MARTIN'S WHITE Immense, pure white flowers; fully double, about 4 inches across. Plants are bushy, of compact growth.

MISS LACE True light pink. Three-inch blooms on strong upright stems; 30 inches high. Blooms in September.

MRS. DUPONT Large, double blooms of peach-pink tinted rosy-salmon bronze. Long, strong stems are ideal for cutting.

KATHLEEN LEHMAN Brightest orange-gold, deepening to red-gold at center. One of the very best new things.

LAVENDER LADY Immense double flowers, in a beautiful silvery lavender shade. Blooms are 3 inches or more across. Unusually hardy.

Prices on above varieties in 2¼" pots: Each 45c; 3 for \$1.10.

PINK RADIANCE Masses of luminous, soft-pink blooms cover plants from late September on. Make beautiful bouquets

RED VELVET An outstanding velvety-crimson. Fully double blooms, fine heathy foliage.

SILVER TIPS Double blooms of bright carmine, distinctly tipped silver. Blooms early October.

VIOLET One of the newest purples. Dahlia-like blooms, fully double, of good color and substance. Grows 24 inches tall; blooms late August.

Prices on above varieties in 2¼" pots: Each 45c; 3 for \$1.10.



Maid Marion

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Avalanche

COLLECTION No. 1

Mrs. Dupont	Cecil Beed	Avalanche	\$2.25
Moonbeams	September Shell	Carnival	

COLLECTION No. 2

Patricia Lehman	Maid Marion	Fashion	\$2.25
Golden Carpet	Paper White	Alert	

COLLECTION No. 3

Alabaster	Bronze Early Buttercup	Leda	\$2.25
Mrs. T. Guthrie	Yellow Alabaster	Crusader	

COLLECTION No. 4

Candy	Mahogany Cushion	Dwarf Jewel	\$2.25
Camilla	Sept. Sunshine	Joan Helen	

COLLECTION No. 5

Gladwin	Red Velvet	White Tower	\$2.25
Beacon	Carmine Queen	Cris Columbus	

We cannot split up Collections at the above prices. When ordering, please order by collection number.

Gorgeous English 'MUMS

These sensational new 'mums originated in Canada and have quickly gained great favor among lovers of fine flowers in this country. These varieties all bear enormous blooms on tall, stiffly erect stems. Excellent for cutting. Disbudding will produce some real exhibition blooms.

ALABASTER An early white of large size and good substance; slightly incurved. Blooms will grow 5" across if disbudded.

BRONZE EARLY BUTTERCUP Rich deep bronze with golden buff reverse. One of the very finest bronze English 'mums. Disbud for best results.

LEDA Gorgeous rolled petals of heliotrope-pink. Flowers are 6" across if disbudded. We consider this one of the finest of the English strain.

MRS. T. GUTHRIE A very large, chestnut-red with bronze reverse, broad reflexing petals. Will make a 6" bloom if disbudded.

YELLOW ALABASTER The discovery of this beautiful 'Mum was made by Mrs. Elmo Wierenga of Grand Rapids, Michigan, and graciously presented to us for introduction. We believe it is destined to become one of the most popular



Yellow Alabaster

'mums in existence. The color is a soft yellow. Produced in abundance on strong, straight stems. A wonderful cut flower.

Prices on the above varieties in 2 1/4" pots: Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25.

Hastings, Minn.

Dear Mr. Richards:

Plants reached me in perfect condition. What packing you do! Feel sure you must be justifiably proud of it.

Very sincerely,
Gertrude Moran



Charles Nye

University of Chicago Strain 'MUMS

For years Dr. Kraus of the University of Chicago has been growing 'mums from selected seeds. They have been tested for winter hardiness, color and form of flower; earliness and disease resistance. We offer four outstanding varieties.

CHARLES NYE One of the best yellows to date. Large, 3" fully double flowers of rich buttercup yellow. For border and cutting.

GLOWING COALS Bright, deep cherry red with orange reverse. One of the best early reds. Plants are vigorous growers; produces a profusion of blooms.

MAGNIFICENT New 1949! Glorious 4-inch flowers of plum-red or rosy cardinal with coppery cast. Extremely strong branches, excellent for cutting.

MEDITATION Magnificent, 3-inch fully double flowers of soft light jasper-red and maize-yellow with orange reverse. An outstanding new 'mum.

Prices on above varieties in 2 1/4" pots: Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25.

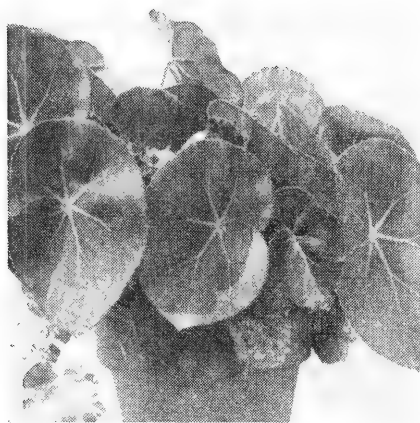
ANNUAL MUM FESTIVAL

During the early weeks of Fall when our perennial fields are in full bloom, they present a glorious pageant of color. It is then, from late September through October, that we welcome our many good friends and customers to our gardens for the Fall Chrysanthemum Festival.

You are cordially invited to attend the Festival. We believe you will find it a thrilling experience to walk through the fields of colorful perennials — 100 acres in full bloom! You will see the newest introductions, as well as old favorites. You may select and buy on the spot, the plants you wish, and take them right home with you. You will enjoy a delicious meal at the historic Red Brick Tavern. Plan to visit us this year at Festival time — we know you will find it very worthwhile.

HOUSE PLANTS

For Beauty Summer or Winter



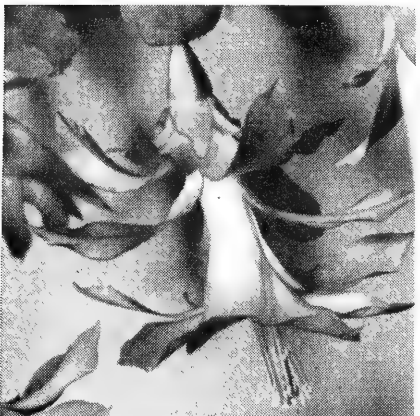
Begonia Beefsteak



Begonia Bloodleaf



Begonia Watermelon



Christmas Cactus

BEGONIA, Beefsteak A low spreading Begonia with circular leaves, red beneath and dark glossy green above, and of heavy texture. Dainty coral red flowers. The finest pot Begonia for house culture. **Each 60c.**

BEGONIA, Bloodleaf The Bloodleaf Begonia is not a true Begonia but is known botanically as *Irisine*. It so closely resembles the Begonias in habit that it is often mistaken for one. Very easy to grow, thrives under conditions so poor that most plants would die. Oval shaped leaves to 2" long are blood red in color with darker blotches. An excellent plant for urns, hanging baskets and ferneries. **Each 55c.**

BEGONIA, Watermelon An excellent house plant for the window or table. The leaves withstand the dry air of rooms better than the majority of plants. Leaves thick and waxy-like, are distinctly variegated white and green, and have the appearance of being powdered with frosted silver. **Each 55c.**

BRAZILIAN PLUME PLANT A native of Brazil, it is easy to grow and does well everywhere. A strong, rapid grower, throwing many shoots, each of which is tipped with beautiful pink, plume-like flowers. **Each 70c.**

CHRISTMAS CACTUS The most popular of all the flowering Cactus. Its' showy blooms are a welcome sight any time of year. Will do well under the most adverse conditions, and will bloom profusely year after year. Does well in any indoor location, but must have sunny window to bloom. **Each 55c.**

GERANIUM, Better Times Semi-double flowers of true rose-red, nearly 2" across. Outstanding for both pot culture and bedding. **Each 55c.**

GERANIUM, Enchantress Semi-double flowers of deep salmon-pink. Almost everblooming. One of the best. **Each 55c.**

GERANIUM, Red Fiat One of the most popular bedding varieties. Bright shade of geranium-scarlet. **Each 55c.**

GERANIUM, Trailing Ivy (Red) These popular Geraniums are of trailing habit, with Ivy-shaped foliage. Colors are clear and brilliant. Covered with blooms all summer. Ideal for trailing over stone walls and better than Ivy for porch and window boxes. **Each 55c.**

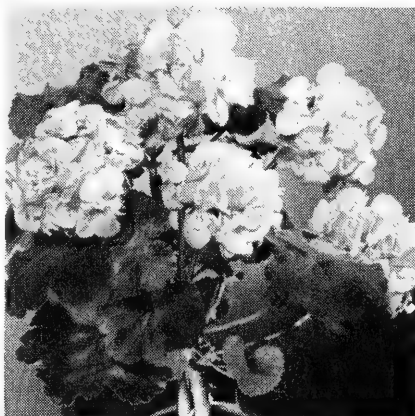
JASMINE The Night-Blooming Jasmine (*Cestrum Parqui*) is a highly prized house plant. The foliage is a deep green color; produces richly fragrant blooms. Their fragrance is most noticeable at night. **Each 55c.**

STAPELIA (Starfish) A branching succulent plant from Africa, somewhat resembling a Cactus. Produces grotesque star-shaped flowers nearly 2" across, spotted yellow and brown. A very attractive plant and a great curiosity. **Each 55c.**

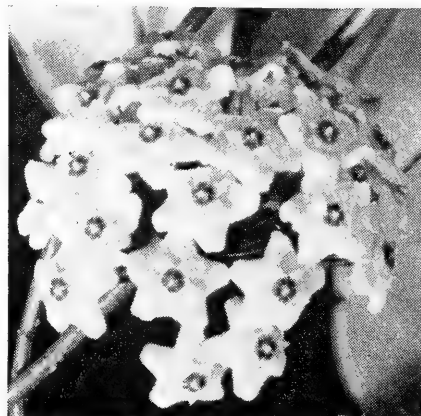
WAX PLANT The true Wax Plant or *Hoya Carnosa* is an easily grown climbing house plant, suitable for window gardens and trellis work. Umbels of fragrant waxy, white flowers with pink centers, produced in succession. The shining, succulent, dark green foliage makes it an interesting plant even when not in bloom. **Each 70c.**



Stapelia



Geranium Enchantress



Wax Plant

NOTICE:
SPECIAL DISCOUNTS
See PAGE 2



Mrs. Geo. Le Boutillier

DAHLIA COLLECTION No. 1

(FOR SPRING DELIVERY ONLY)

AVALON Great garden Dahlia of fine form and a rich lemon-yellow color. This plant is a profuse bloomer. It should be in every garden.

MRS. GEO. LE BOUTILLIER Very large rich cardinal red. Decorative flowers 10 to 12 inches in diameter. Medium height, healthy dark green foliage.

JEAN TRIMBEE Tall strong grower hybrid cactus. Flowers are 10 to 12 inches of petunia violet color with excellent stems.

JOSEPHINE G. Medium height plants which are literally covered with good size bright salmon pink flowers. Base of petals yellow. Fine cut flowers.

KEMP'S WHITE WONDER Huge, clear white Informal Decorative Dahlias. The blooms are on long stems with dark and healthy foliage.

MONARCH OF THE EAST Mammoth warm deep golden buff Decorative Dahlia. Flowers 12 to 14 inches in diameter without disbudding.

The Above Varieties 50c Each

FREE GIFT—One RED BALL with each Collection

**OFFER
NO. 1**

One each of the
above 6 varieties
for only \$2.50

DAHLIA COLLECTION No. 2

(FOR SPRING DELIVERY ONLY)

COMMODORE Sparkling yellow Decorative type Dahlia. Very hardy and free blooming. Splendid for garden display and for cutting.

GLAMOUR An immense true purple with each petal edged amaranth-pink; a striking color combination. Strong, heavy grower; blooms have measured 14 inches across. Winner of many prizes.

JANE COWL Deep massive blooms of a bronze buff and old-gold blending darker toward the perfect center. A stem of unusual strength holds this giant Decorative Dahlia.

KING ALFRED Ruby-red with silvery reverse. The color combination of this very large flower is both distinctive and beautiful.

MARIE Tall, light pink Formal Decorative. Fine stem making it an excellent cut flower. Blooms are 8 to 10 inches in diameter. Shows up well in the garden.

WHITE GIANT Here is probably the best of all white informal decoratives. Its many outstanding qualities have won it a place on the Honor Roll.

The Above Varieties 50c Each

FREE GIFT—One RED BALL with each Collection

**OFFER
NO. 2**

One each of the
above 6 varieties
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GIANT FLOWERING DAHLIAS

This spring we are again offering our customers a selection of fine Dahlia Tubers.

These tubers are of healthy, vigorous stock. Plant this spring and have gorgeous blooms this summer and fall. We offer the outstanding varieties listed below. Each tuber labeled and an exceptional Dahlia value.

HONOR ROLL VARIETIES

COMMANDO Medium height plants with clear lavender blooms held well above the foliage on very stiff stems. Flowers 10 to 14 inches in diameter.

INCANDESCENT Fine bronze suffused pink decorative similar to Jane Cowl except that it has this glowing pink shading with a golden sheen over all.

MRS. T. EDISON Another outstanding variety is this rich ruby and silver blossom. Its outstanding beauty shows up well in the garden.

PINK GIANT Gorgeous mammoth blooms of bright Tyrian pink color carried erect on long, strong stems well above the foliage. Grows 5½ ft. tall.

ZANT'S PURPLE Large true purple flower. It is a husky, tall plant with straight stems and healthy foliage. Very decorative in your garden.

The Above Varieties 75c each.

HONOR ROLL COLLECTION

1 Each of the 5 Varieties listed
above, postpaid
for

\$3.00

SPECIAL Dahlia OFFER

6 Mixed Dahlias, our choice
unlabeled, postpaid
for only \$1.00

(MORE DAHLIA BARGAINS Page 22)



White Giant



Yellow Collosse

DAHLIA COLLECTION No. 3

(FOR SPRING DELIVERY ONLY)

CATHERINE Lovely small blooms of an orange-pink. Always much admired by everyone. Splendid for garden display and for cutting.

LIBELLE One of the finest cactus Dahlias with large royal purple flowers on long stems. Always very much admired for its bright color.

MARGARET WILSON A refined, magnificent, large, creamy white Dahlia, attractively shaded with pink. Splendid for exhibition and fine for the garden.

PRIDE OF CALIFORNIA A brilliant glowing cardinal red. Often called "The American Beauty" Dahlia. The flowers are of huge size, and are produced well above the foliage.

STORM KING Lovely clear white Decorative Dahlias. This is a hardy and free blooming variety. A charming plant for your garden.

YELLOW COLLOSSE One of the most excellent yellow Decorative Dahlias with large, deep flowers on long stems. A charming plant for your garden.

The Above Varieties 25c Each

FREE GIFT—1 RED BALL with each Collection

**OFFER
NO. 3**

One each of the
above 6 varieties
for only \$1.25

Hardy DELPHINIUM

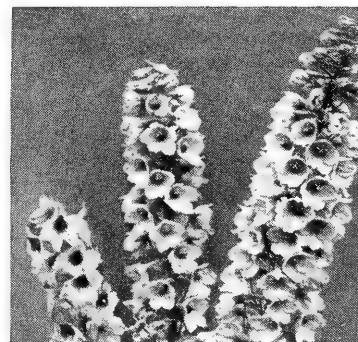
Here is one of the best loved and most popular of the world's perennials. New introductions have widened the colors available and have produced better growth and blooms. Our reputation has been founded on the high quality of the delphiniums we grow. These are all healthy, field-grown plants that will bloom in your garden this summer.

BELLADONNA, IMPROVED CLIVEDEN BEAUTY Enchanting soft light blue in color. A strong grower and heavy bloomer. Superior to the old types of Belladonna; better stems and color. Height 3 feet. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

BELLAMOSUM SAPPHIRE A new, improved strain, similar in habit of growth and characteristics to Belladonna. Color is a rich sapphire-blue. Individual florets are very large and thickly clustered on tall spikes. Each, 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

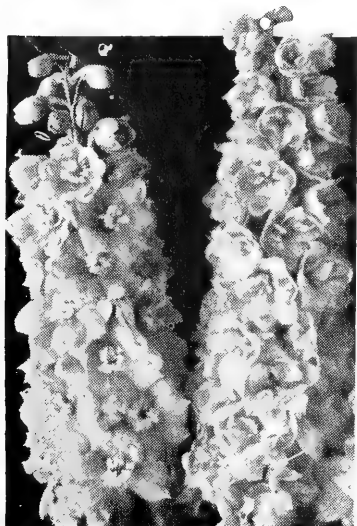
CHINESE Graceful habit of growth and finely cut foliage makes this variety very desirable for garden and display. Flower spikes are loosely arranged, attain a height of 2 feet, and are a lovely clear, light-blue color. Excellent for bouquets. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

LAMARTINE Well formed spikes of the deepest blue flowers, each with



Belladonna Delphinium
(Improved Cliveden Beauty)

a distinct white eye. The real Gentian-blue color is rare in flowers; here is one of the outstanding cutting varieties. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.



Hybrid Delphinium

GORGEOUSLY COLORED

HYBRID DELPHINIUM

Recent introductions in the field of Hybrids have added rare new colors and variations never thought possible in Delphiniums. Individual florets are now double and semi-double, as well

BLACKMORE and LANGDON HYBRIDS

Superb color range which includes shadings from pale blue through delicate lavender and rose variations. Very strong grower with strong stems 4 to 5 feet tall. Flowers in June; florets run a large percent double. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

as single. Spikes are unbelievably large. No Delphinium planting is complete without some of these Hybrids for a gorgeous display next summer.

WREXHAM STRAIN Hollyhock Flowered

Extremely long, spire-like spikes, thickly studded with individual florets of large size. Color variations including all shades from deepest blues and purples to the delicate pastels in rose, orchid and pale blue. A wonderful grower and producer with very strong stems. 5 ft. June. Each 25c; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.10; 12 for \$1.90.

Giant Flowering Pacific Hybrid DELPHINIUM

**We Are The World's Largest
Growers of Delphinium Seedling**

This elegant strain of Delphinium is almost beyond description. Stately flower stalks 3 to 5 feet tall are profusely bloom-laden; individual flowers are 2 to 3 inches across, many are double, semi-double, some single. The plants are resistant to mildew and stems are wiry and strong enough to resist high winds. These are all strong, well-rooted plants that will bloom in your garden during June and July.

- BLACK KNIGHT** Large flowers of darkest royal violet shades; a remarkably rich color.
- BLUE BIRD** Superbly tall spikes set with clear medium blue flowers with white bee.
- BLUE JAY** Intense shades from medium to dark blue, all with darker bee.
- CAMELIARD** Clear soft lavender with white bee. Very large, round florets of perfect form.
- GALAHAD** Glistening pure white flowers of enormous size; individual florets measuring 3" across.
- GUINEVERE** Light pink-lavender self with white bee. Excellent branching habits; beautiful large blooms.
- KING ARTHUR** Rich, deep royal violet with large white bee. Long, graceful spikes; very large florets.
- PERCIVAL** An outstanding new variety; clear white with brown bee.
- SUMMER SKIES** As beautiful as the name indicates; clearest light blue with white bee.
- ROUND TABLE** A superb mixture comprising all available shades. For sheer beauty, vigor and quality they are unequalled.

Each	\$.35
3 of one kind95
6 of one kind	1.50
12 of one kind	2.60

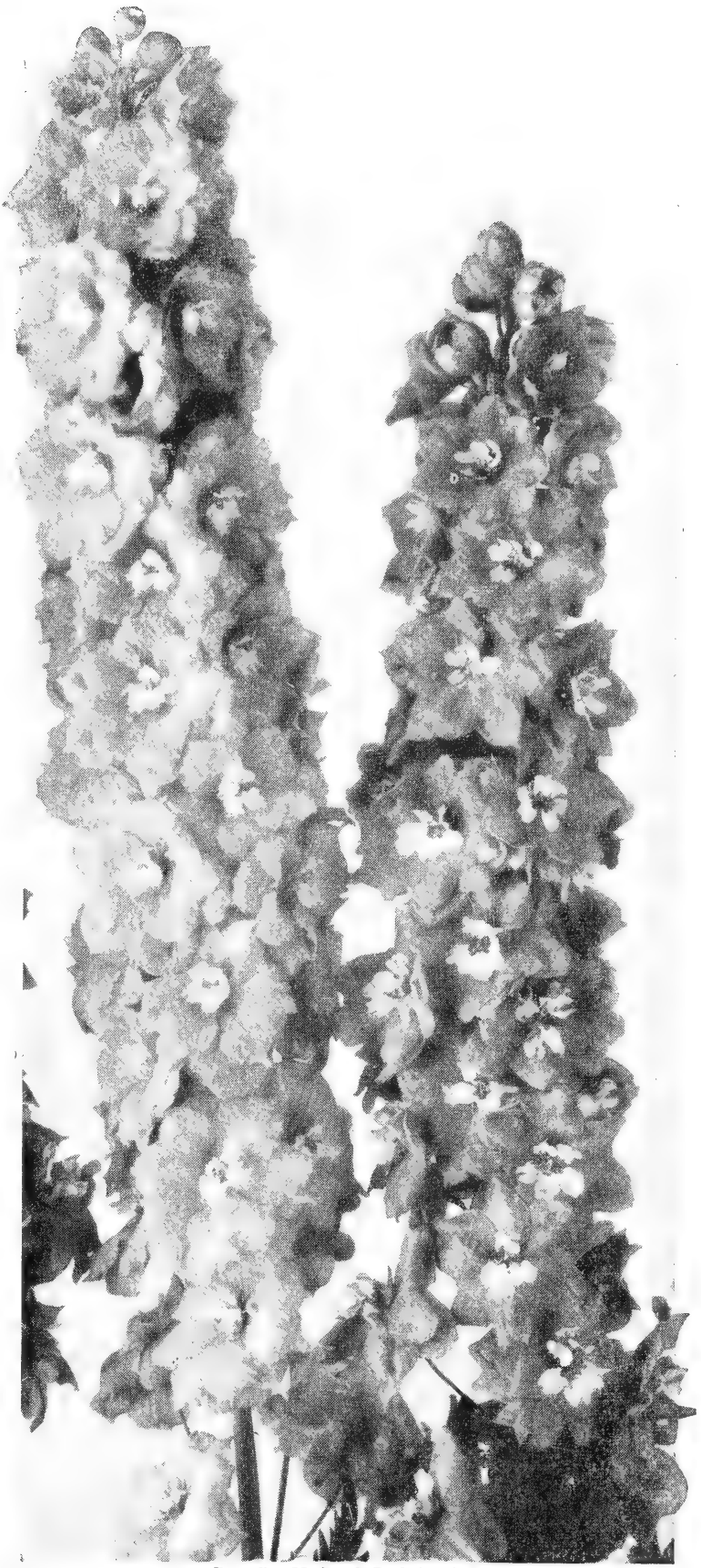
SPECIAL OFFER

30 Plants, 3 of each kind, **\$7⁰⁰**
\$9.50 value for only

**SPECIAL GET
ACQUAINTED
OFFER**

5 ROUND TABLE \$1.00
Shipped at planting time

Customers who desire to visit our place and stay overnight can now get accommodations at the Gardens Motel, which is located right next to the nursery but is not in any way connected with it. It has 10 units and is very beautiful.



Pacific Hybrid Delphinium

May 15, 1951

Dear Sirs:

Received order. The plants are in fine condition. Your Delphiniums are the most beautiful I have grown.

Gratefully yours,
Mrs. J. W. Herttim



Charles Thomas Richards
Peony Specialist

We Grow Over 20 Acres of Peonies Every Year

The nucleus of the present Richards Gardens was started in 1918 when the present owner, Charles T. Richards, was recovering from a serious case of flu . . .

"Ordered by my doctor to take a leave of absence and not work for a year, I turned to gardening as a means of occupying my time. I had always greatly admired Peonies and now began to study them and the best methods of growing them. I sent to George H. Peterson of Fairlawn, New Jersey, a prominent Peony grower at that time, for 12 Peony plants which I grew on a vacant lot. This original planting is still blooming luxuriantly.

Growing Peonies proved fascinating work and soon I became a Peony hobbyist. As newer varieties came out they were added to my collection. I remember very well making a purchase of Kelway's Glorious for which I paid \$50.00, quite a sum in those days!

Over the years the Peonies have been given meticulous care and the fields have been rogued consistently to keep the varieties straight and true-to-name. By 1928 I had so many hundreds of Peonies, it became necessary to expand, so I purchased the present farm which constitutes Richards Gardens. We now have many acres of Peonies in cultivation and have sold hundreds of thousands of them.

About 1933 we started the perennial gardens and now grow more perennials than any other nursery in the United States."

We Offer the Highest Rated Peonies

AVALANCHE A choice creamy white Peony. The flower is large and compact, with a collar of creamy white petals surrounding a center of delicately tinted lilac-white petals, occasionally edged carmine. Blooms late in the season. Excellent cut flower and show variety. **Each 75c.**

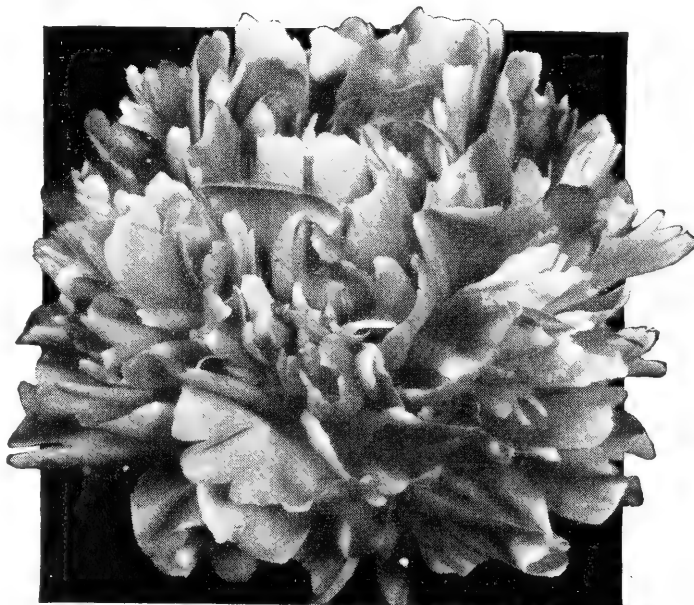
BARONESS SCHROEDER Large; double; midseason. Flesh-white tinted creamy pink. **Each 75c.**

EDULIS SUPERBA A fine Peony in the dark pink class. Early blooming; free flowering. Good cutting variety. **Each 60c.**

FELIX CROUSSE (8.4) Double type; large; late mid-season. Brilliant crimson of even tone and good silky luster; medium height, good foliage. **Each 75c.**

FESTIVA MAXIMA (9.3) Double type; very large; early. White with prominent crimson flecks on a few central petals; tall good foliage. **Each 75c.**

MARY BRAND (8.7) Rose type; large midseason. Dark clear crimson, with a very brilliant sheen, notably fragrant for a red variety. Medium height. Outstanding variety. **Each \$1.25.**



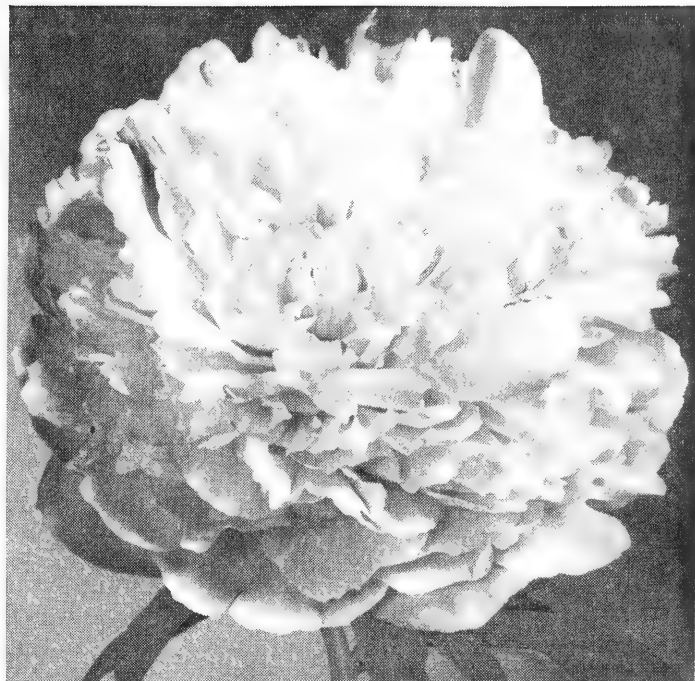
Mary Brand

MONS. JULES ELIE (9.2) Double type; very large; early. Light rose-pink of the dull, opaque quality seen in pink chrysanthemums. Broad, smooth, guard petals; center incurved and silvered with grayish pink; fragrant. Moderately tall. **Each 75c.**

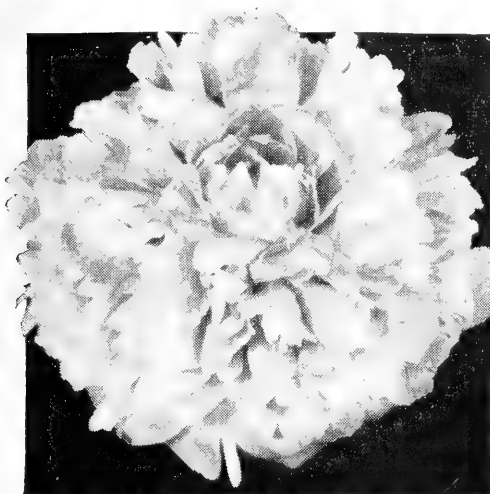
REINE HORTENSE (8.7) Double type; very large; midseason. Rose-pink with crisp, fluffy petals of translucent texture, notched and silvered at the tips and occasionally flecked with crimson in the center. **Each 75c.**

SARAH BERNHARDT (9.0) Double type; very large; late. Dark rose-pink, edged a trifle lighter with inconspicuous red edges on a few central petals, and an occasional golden yellow anther in the collar; agreeably fragrant. Medium height. Probably the most popular peony grown. **Each 75c.**

WALTER FAXON The most vivid of all pinks. The flowers are of medium size, full and beautifully formed. Have a pleasing delicate fragrance. As a show flower we consider this variety outstanding, and truly the finest pink Peony of all. **Each \$1.00.**



Sarah Bernhardt



Mme. Emile Galle

PEONY OFFER NO. 1

We will select 5 Peonies
our choice in balanced
colors for only \$2.00. Just
the bargain you are look-
ing for. 5 Peonies
postpaid for only **\$2.00**

ANNUAL PEONY FESTIVAL

**20 ACRES OF PEONIES
IN FULL BLOOM!**

Come visit us during early June
when the Peonies are at their love-
liest. Personally select the varie-
ties you wish to buy and they will
be mailed to you at proper plant-
ing time in the fall.

Enjoy a delicious meal at the Red
Brick Tavern. **FREE** Peony blooms
to every dinner guest!

SPECIAL PEONY OFFER THE WORLD'S HIGHEST RATED PEONIES

From our stock of peonies we have selected 24 of the best, all rating 9.0 or better. These are unquestionably the aristocrats of the peony world. All grown from two and three year stock. One each of the supreme peonies listed below; all strong 3 to 5-eye divisions. A real bargain, postpaid to your door, for only.....**\$20.00**

Baroness Schroeder—Milky white.
Daphne—Pink.
Festiva Maxima—White, flecked red.
Georgiana Shaylor—Light rose pink.
Edith Forrest—Deep pink.
Hazel Kinney—Hydrangea pink.
Mrs. C. S. Minot—Pink.
Mary B. Vories—Pure white.
Lady Alex Duff—Blush-pink.
Auguste Dessert—Intense pink.
Martha Bulloch—Old rose pink.
Mary Brand—Dark crimson.

Mons. Jules Elie—Light rose pink.
Rose Shaylor—Pale pink.
Mrs. Edward Harding—White with
golden stamens.
Mme. Jules Dessert—Flesh white.
Myrtle Gentry—Light pink.
Philippe Rivoire—Dark Crimson.
Sarah Bernhardt—Dark rose pink.
Souv. de Louis Bigot—Salmon pink.
Frank E. Good—Creamy white.
Tourangelle—Pinkish white.
Therese—Pink; golden center.
Walter Faxon—Vivid shell pink.



Felix
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HAVE BEAUTY
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FRUIT TOO... *Plant*
STRAWBERRIES
As A Border For Your Garden

New **RED RICH** EVERBEARING STRAWBERRY Produces Berries From June To Frost

You've never seen plants so big and vigorous. This means disease resistant strength and enormous yields. You get up to a quart of luscious Red Rich strawberries per plant! The berries are big, solid and red clear through to the core. They are unsurpassed for freezing—possessing an abundance of natural sugar and a firm flesh texture clear through that won't mush-up when thawed. One bite and you'll agree Red Rich is the sweetest berry you've ever tasted,—honey sweet! Red Rich is truly the ever-bearer of all time! Each Red Rich plant shipment carries the new "Space System" planting instructions. Be sure to follow these carefully and you'll be delighted with the results.

SUPPLY IS LIMITED SO ORDER TODAY
We Prepay Postage — All Plants Guaranteed

12 Plants
\$2.95

25 Plants
\$5.00

50 Plants
\$8.50

100 Plants
\$15.00

Red Rich

NEW **ARMORE** June-Bearing

A recent introduction of the Missouri Experiment Station. After several years of testing, New Armore has proved itself superior to standard June-bearing varieties—outproducing more than 60 other varieties tested.

The berries are of good size and very attractive in appearance, of uniform V shape and rich, sunset red color, — combined with extra delicious flavor, New Armore ranks as the most outstanding strawberry for fresh desserts.

The plants are healthy, vigorous growers and bear over a long fruiting season; leaving an excellent row for the following year's crop. Try a planting this year. We know you will be pleased with New Armore.

PRICES POSTPAID

25 Plants	\$ 2.00
50 Plants	3.25
100 Plants	6.00
250 Plants	10.00

New June-Bearing **VERMILION**

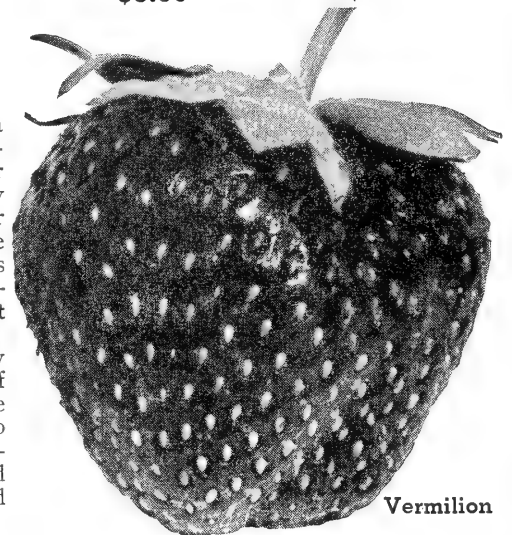
This new June-bearing variety is a development of the University of Illinois Department of Agriculture. After several years of continuous testing by the University of Illinois and other Experimental Stations throughout the country, **Vermilion** has proved its worth and is now enjoying the enthusiastic support of leading fruit growers everywhere.

The plants are vigorous, thrifty growers and produce a fine crop of top quality berries early in June. The berries are medium large—and true to its name, the color is a brilliant vermilion-red. The berries have good sugar content, are highly aromatic and richly flavorful.

PRICES POSTPAID

25 Plants
\$3.50

50 Plants
\$6.00

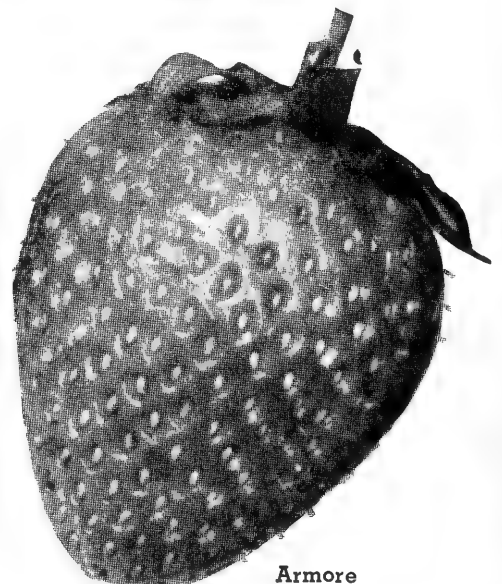
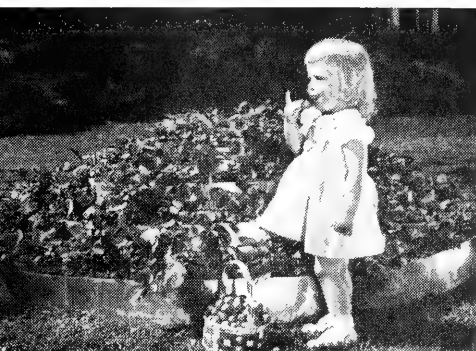


Vermilion

Amazing New **PYRAMID GARDEN**

Even with very small garden space, you can now enjoy an abundance of fresh strawberries all season with this novel and attractive Pyramid Garden Bed. Requires just one-third the space of a regular strawberry patch—easy to care for and adds beauty to any garden.

The Pyramid Garden is easy to erect. Holds 50 plants — enough to supply the average family with fresh berries all season. The 5-inch bands are made of tough aluminum alloy and will not rust or corrode. Instructions are included with each order. Pyramid Garden **\$9.95** — with 50 Red Rich Plants **\$18.45**.



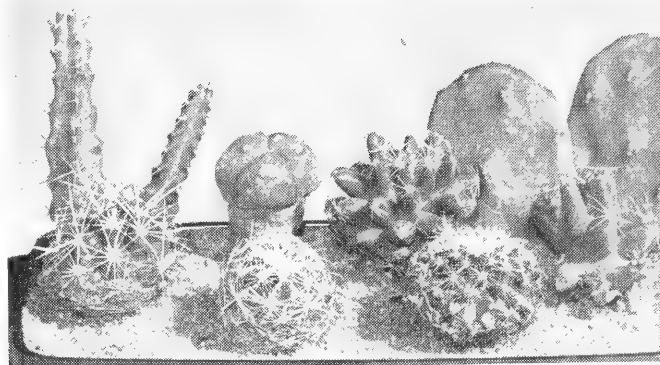
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Unusual PLANTS for your "Indoor" GARDEN

CACTUS DISH GARDEN

These interesting and oddly-shaped Cactus plants are a delight to all who grow them. They require very little care and will tolerate the heat and dryness of the ordinary home. They thrive in almost any soil and can be left for long periods without attention. Their curious shapes and growth habits make them real "conversation pieces". Growing Cacti is a fascinating hobby, to be enjoyed by all.

5 Assorted, unusual Cactus Plants, including Tiger Jaws, Peanut, Golden Column, Golden Lace and Powder Puff, postpaid, for only **\$1.00**



Cactus Planting

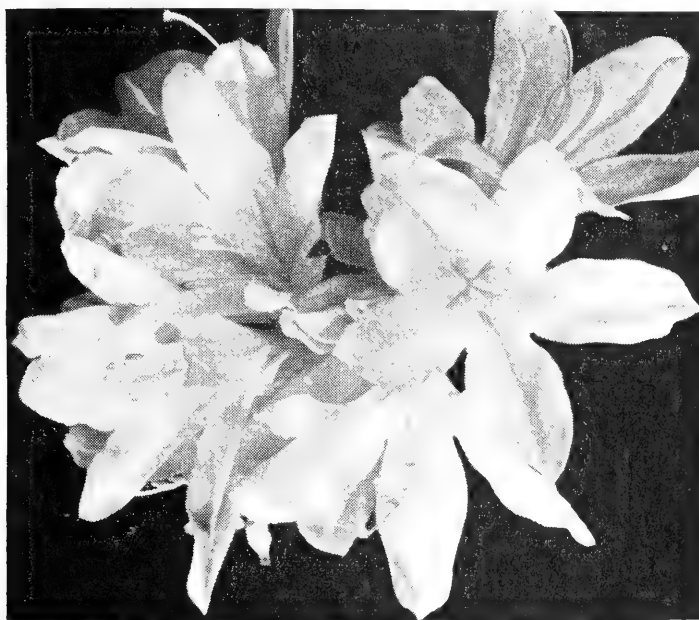
Exotic AZALEAS

HEXE AZALEA

The finest red Kurume Azalea. Extremely hardy; withstands temperatures as low as 5 degrees F. Plants make a dwarf, compact growth, height about 3 feet. Produce an abundance of beautiful bright red flowers in spring and early summer. When planted in masses, these new hardy Azaleas provide a spectacular display of color and should be included in every garden plan. Each \$1.00.

PINK PEARL AZALEA

The exquisite Pink Pearl Azalea of the Kurume variety. Bears a profusion of beautiful, apple-blossom pink flowers. Artistic, rich green foliage further enhances the beauty of this unusual shrub. Easy to grow, and a perfect plant for those shady areas in your garden. Each \$1.00.

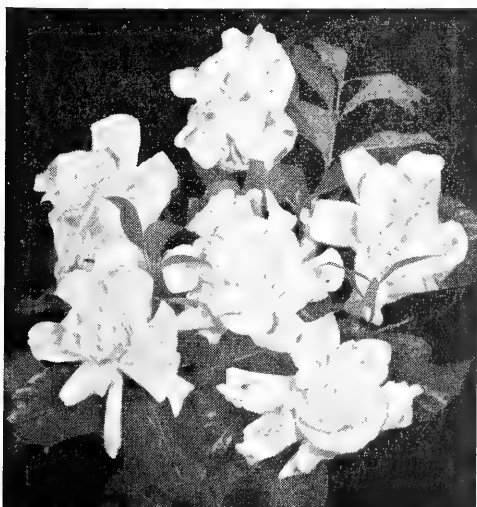


Pink Pearl Azalea

American Wonder LEMON

Here is a novel, easy-to-grow house plant that you will enjoy the year around. Unique, waxy-white flowers cover the plants several times a year, followed by fruits of excellent quality. The plants may be grown outdoors during the summer, then brought indoors for the winter months. They attain a height of one to two feet, even higher under proper conditions. Grow them in tubs or pails.

The flowers, similar to orange blossoms and just as fragrant, are at their best during the main blooming season in winter, and are lovely in corsages. The fruits are huge, 5 to 6 inches long and often weigh a pound or more. They are fine for pies, lemonade and any purpose requiring lemons. Delight your family with this unusual plant. Each \$1.00.



Rose Gardenia

ROSE GARDENIA

(Gardenia Veitchi). Now you can grow this glamorous "flower of romance" in your own home. The exquisite, waxy-white flowers and rich glaucous green foliage will enhance any indoor setting. Grow the plants outdoors all summer, then in the fall bring them indoors and set in a sunny window. You will enjoy their delicate beauty and exotic fragrance all winter. You will enjoy too, the many lovely, inexpensive corsages these plants will provide. Order yours today. Each \$1.00.

AZALEA BARGAIN

2 Gorgeously colorful Azalea plants, 1 Hexe and 1 Pink Pearl **\$1.75**

Postpaid, for only



American-Wonder Lemon

Colorful

GLADS

FOR SPRING DELIVERY ONLY

These are all finest quality bulbs which will bloom for you this summer. Sold only in quantities listed below, or multiples thereof.

ABU HASSAN A variety that comes to us from Holland, and which we feel has great merit. Color is a very rich deep violet-blue. Plain petaled type. An improvement over Pelegrina. In fact, the finest of the dark blues. Good commercial flower. Each 12c; 10 for \$1.00.

BLACK OPAL The most dependable so-called "black." Color is a very deep maroon; flowers have a rich, velvety texture, which adds to the near-black effect. We believe you will like this variety for its distinctive color. Each 12c; 10 for \$1.00.

CHAMOUNY One of the loveliest new varieties of a true rose color. The color is a somewhat deeper shade of rose than Gov. Pinchot. Opens many well-formed, plain petaled florets at a time on tall, sturdy spikes. Splendid exhibition variety. Each 12c; 10 for \$1.00.

ELIZABETH THE QUEEN Huge, wide open, ruffled flowers of a gorgeous lavender color, blushed pink. Vigorous grower that does well under most any weather condition. Opens 7 to 8 beautiful florets; an outstanding exhibition variety. Each 12c; 10 for \$1.00.

GENERAL EISENHOWER A real giant among Glads. Opens 8 to 10 huge florets on sturdy, upright stalks; ruffled florets of perfect form and heavy substance. Color is a deep, bright hydrangea-pink. A truly beautiful Glad that we believe you will enjoy and appreciate. Each 15c; 10 for \$1.25.

LEADING LADY A sport of Picardy having the same strong constitution and excellent habit. Color is cream-white with canary-yellow throat. A superb variety for cutting and exhibition. Each 12c; 10 for \$1.00.

MORNING KISS Purest white with a slight pinkish feathering in the lower throat petals. Opens 10 or more plain petaled florets on very tall, heavy spikes. An import from Holland and very outstanding. Each 12c; 10 for \$1.00.

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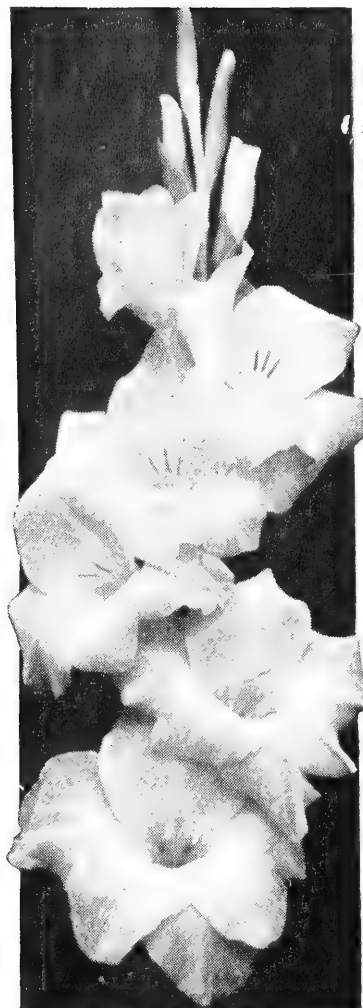
24 BULBS

2 each of the 12
Glad Varieties listed, for

\$2.50

SPECIAL FREE GIFT—1 BURMA
will be included free with each
order for Glad Offer Number 1.

PICARDY The most outstanding Glad in its color class. Soft shrimp-pink without flecking; blotch of flesh-pink shading to shrimp-pink at edges. Strong, erect spikes carry 7 to 10 large, fully opened florets at a time. Valuable for cutting and exhibition, and a universal favorite with all Glad growers. Each 10c; 10 for 90c; 25 for \$2.00.



Leading Lady

Cherry Jam



Spot Light

OFFER NO. 2

For those who do not want as many as 24 bulbs, we will make the following offer:

12 BULBS, 1 each of the twelve varieties listed. Each variety labeled. Postpaid \$1.30.

SPECIAL FREE GIFT—With each order for Offer Number 2, we will include 1 **KING LEAR**.

Richard's "Old Homestead" Heavy-Blooming Varieties

RED CHARM Dependable medium-red; one of the best Commercial types in its color class. Opens 8 to 10 plain petaled florets on beautiful, heavy spikes. Each 12c; 10 for \$1.00.

SPIC & SPAN Consistent winner at leading flower shows. Fine deep-pink with salmon shadings. Opens 8 to 10 large, ruffled florets on medium tall spike. Wonderful cut flower variety. Each 15c; 10 for \$1.00.

SPOTLIGHT Extremely large, deep yellow with deep red blotch. Opens 7 to 8 plain petaled florets. Keeps well when cut. Each 12c; 10 for \$1.00.

WHITE GOLD A truly sensational Glad. Immense flowers measure 7 inches across when fully open! Color is a rich cream-white with golden yellow center. Extremely tall spikes carry 6 to 8 flowers at a time. Valuable commercial variety due to earliness of bloom. Each 12c; 10 for \$1.00.

OFFER NO. 3

25 Fine bulbs of mixed varieties. There are some beautiful varieties in this mixture but to save separation and labeling, we make this value-giving offer.

MINIATURE GLADS

The trend toward these dainty, small Glads has been steadily increasing. The fine pastel colors with varied markings and the well formed florets with cut edge petals, add to the decorative value of these charming miniature Glads. We feel you will want to include some of them in your collection. Varieties below:

BLUE BELL New for 1953. Light lavender blue with purple in throat. Each 25c; 10 for \$2.00.

CUTIE Light pink ground color with intense deep rose blotches in throat. Each 25c; 10 for \$2.00.

GYPSY Richest rose-red with violet throat. Lovely for arrangements. Each 25c; 10 for \$2.00.

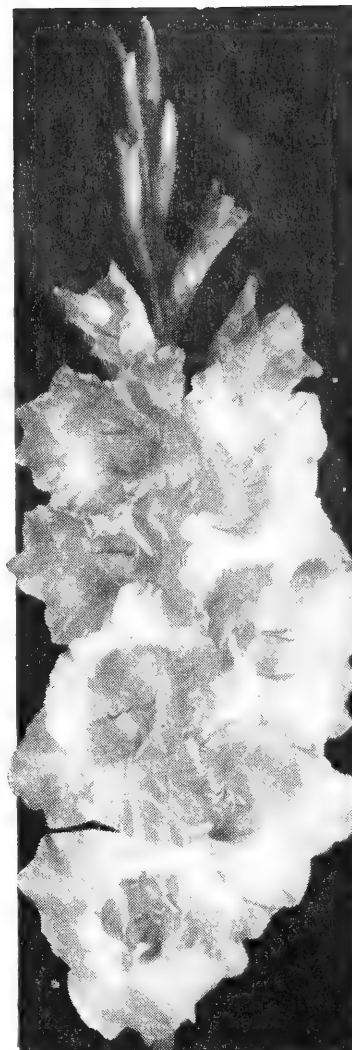
GOLD FINCH Beautiful golden-yellow color. Each 15c; 10 for \$1.25.

STARTLING Lacinated petal type. Light pink and buff, red feathering. Each 15c; 10 for \$1.25.

WHITE BUTTERFLY Finest all white with creamy white throat. Each 15c; 10 for \$1.25.

Miniature BARGAIN

6 BULBS, 1 each of the Miniature Glads listed and 1 Little Fellow included free with this offer. **\$1.00**



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Charming BUDDLEIA

One of the loveliest and easiest to grow of all perennials. Plants bloom the same year you plant them and require little or no more care. They provide a brilliant display of color all summer. Perfectly hardy, they will succeed in most any soil.

ILE DE FRANCE Unusually long flower spikes of rich, deep purple; fragrant. A long-time favorite and still very popular. A valuable plant for tall backgrounds; and very effective in floral arrangements. Each 60c; 3 for \$1.65.

PINK CHARMING Elegant, long sprays of beautiful pink flowers—often 12 to 15 inches long. Makes a bushy growth, to a height of about 5 feet. Each 60c; 3 for \$1.65.

ROYAL PURPLE Magnificent, large flower spikes of rich, glowing purple. Blooms from August until frost. Each 60c; 3 for \$1.65.

SNOWBANK A lovely new white with large, compact, fully round sprays. Fine for contrast with purple and pink Buddleias. Each 60c; 3 for \$1.65.

SPECIAL OFFER

One each of the 4 varieties above for **\$2.25** only

Beautiful FRENCH LILACS

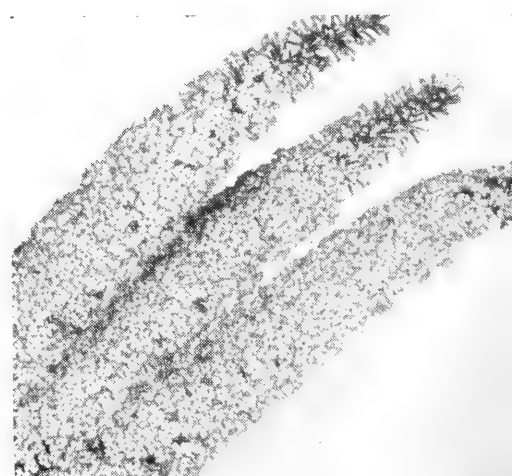
You will want to include some of these lovely French Lilacs in your garden plan, for the wealth of colorful bloom they provide each spring. Especially desirable for lawn specimens, they are also useful for corner groups and among other shrubs; and for sheer, breathtaking beauty, plant a hedge of French Lilacs!

CHARLES JOLY One of the best dark reds. Large flower heads made up of purple-red, double florets, held well above the foliage. Very striking. Bush makes compact, upright

growth; medium height. Each \$1.10; 3 for \$3.00.

MME. CASIMIR PERIER A beautiful white with yellow stamens giving it a rich creamy appearance. A strong grower and very free blooming; always dependable. Each \$1.10; 3 for \$3.00.

PRESIDENT GREVY Immense panicles composed of very double, soft blue florets. A dependable type that has great merit. Each \$1.10; 3 for \$3.00.



Pink Charming Buddleia

Develop **BABY EVERGREENS** For Future Planting

You can save 400% on landscaping costs by using these once-transplanted 6-8 inch trees, offered at low prices. Grow them in your garden for 2 or 3 years before transplanting to permanent landscape location. In a few years they will be worth many times their original cost. (Evergreens will not be shipped between June 15 and Sept. 15.)

Varieties:

PYRAMIDAL ARBOR-VITAE

Narrow, tall type, deep green foliage, fine for doorway accent. 6-8 in. Each 75c; 3 for \$2.00.



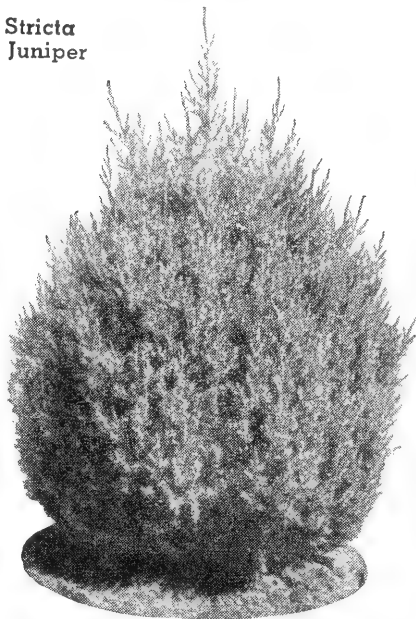
Pyramidal
Arbor-Vitae

GLOBE ARBOR-VITAE Dwarf variety. Makes dense, compact growth; retains globe shape without trimming. 6-8 in. Each 75c; 3 for \$2.00.

STRICTA JUNIPER Medium height; broad base tapering to conical head. Fine glaucous-blue color. 6-8 in. Each 75c; 3 for \$2.00.

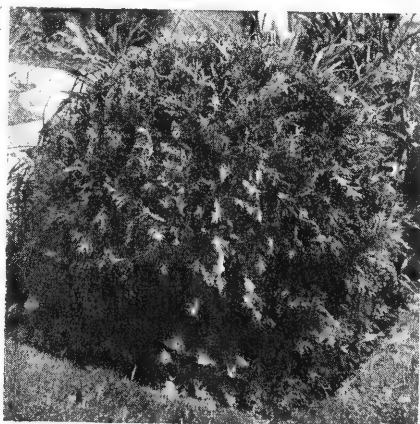
PFITZER JUNIPER Low, spreading growth; feathery blue-green foliage. Ideal under windows. 6-8 in. Each 75c; 3 for \$2.00.

Stricta
Juniper



Spreading Yew

Globe Arbor-Vitae



MUGHO PINE Dwarf, spready type. Effective along walks and in front of taller evergreens. 6-8 in. Each 75c; 3 for \$2.00.

JAPANESE YEW, UPRIGHT Dense, compact growth tall pyramidal type. Good for doorways and corners. 6-8 in. Each 75c; 3 for \$2.00.

JAPANESE YEW, SPREADING Medium height; fine for low hedges and terraces. Rich green foliage. 6-8 in. Each 75c; 3 for \$2.00.

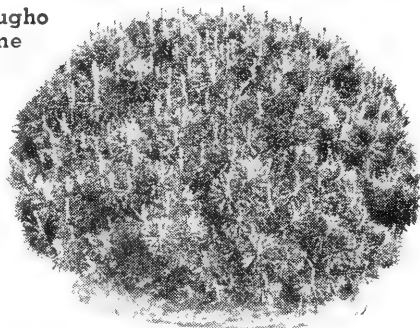
JAPANESE YEW, HICKSI Medium tall, shrub-like type; ideal for densely shaded areas. 6-8 in. Each 75c; 3 for \$2.00.

SPECIAL OFFER

5 Varieties of Baby Evergreens
Best for Home Landscaping
2 Pfitzer Juniper
2 Fastigiata Juniper
2 Pyramidal Arbor-Vitae
2 Spreading Yew
4 Upright Yew

12 TREES for **\$5.95**
only

Mugho
Pine



B A B Y

CHINESE ELM Hardy, rapid growing shade tree that withstands unfavorable weather and succeeds in all types of soil. 2½-3½ ft. trees, Each 25c; 5 for \$1.00.



OUR GUARANTEE

We exercise great care in keeping our stock true to name. We guarantee all our stock to be of the highest quality and to arrive in good condition.

COMPLETE *Your* LANDSCAPING *With* BABY SHRUBS

POTTED SHRUBS

The 3 Varieties Below are Best Shipped from 2 1/4" pots. All Others Shipped As Usual from Seedling Beds.

BLUE MIST (Caryopteris) Fine, low growing shrub for edgings and hedges. Lovely misty-blue flower clusters cover branches from July to Sept. 15-18 in. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25.

BLUE HYDRANGEA — (SEE BACK COVER)

DAPHNE CNEORUM Dwarf-growing shrub with blue-green (almost evergreen) foliage. Compact clusters of rose-pink, fragrant flowers cover the branches in spring. Each 75c; 3 for \$2.00.

BEAUTY BUSH Medium tall shrub. Bears a great profusion of bell-shaped, dusty-pink blooms in May. 15-18 in. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25.

HONEYSUCKLE ZABELI Produces largest and truest-red flowers of all; followed by bright red berries in fall. Medium height. 15-18 in. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25.

HYDRANGEA P. G. Long panicles of pinkish-white blossoms, which deepen to rose in fall; delicate fragrance. Fine for border or lawn specimen. 15-18 in. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25.



Deutzia

T R E E S

WHITE BIRCH Tall, upright tree with broad, handsome leaves and white bark; young trees have slight reddish cast to bark which disappears after first year. 2 1/2-3 1/2 ft. Each 35c; 3 for \$1.00.



HYDRANGEA A. G. Large panicles of pure-white blooms in great abundance from June to Sept. Bright green foliage. 15-18 in. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25.

FLOWERING ALMOND Beautiful, low growing shrub; bears masses of double, pink blossoms in spring. 15-18 in. Each 90c; 3 for \$2.25.

FORSYTHIA SPECTABILIS Tall growing shrub; bright yellow, bell-shaped flowers in early spring. 15-18 in. Each 30c; 3 for 75c.

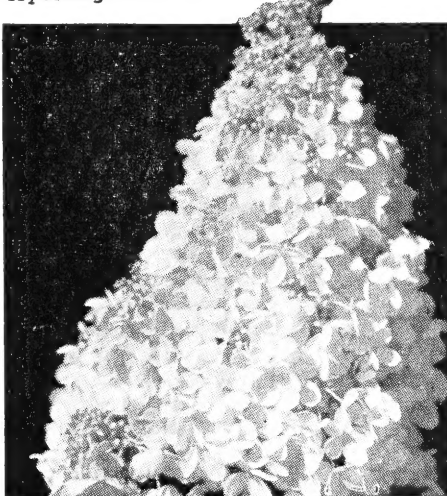
DEUTZIA LEMOINEI Great masses of white blossoms in clustered panicles make a showy display in early spring. Low growing. 15-18 in. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25.

CORNUS ELEGANTISSIMA A splendid shrub for group planting or single specimen; attractive variegated foliage broadly margined with white. 15-18 in. Each 90c; 3 for \$2.25.

FLOWERING QUINCE A great profusion of scarlet-red flowers are produced in early spring. Medium height. 15-18 in. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25.

WEIGELA PINK Large, trumpet-shaped rose-pink flowers, borne in thick clusters in May and June. 15-18 in. Each 30c; 3 for 75c.

Hydrangea P. G.



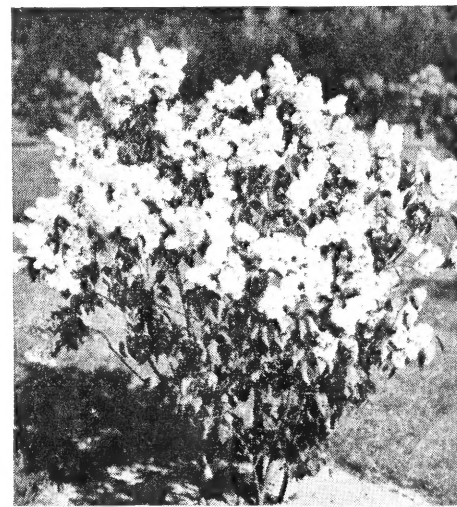
WEIGELA BRISTOL RUBY (Pat. No. 492) The best red Weigela; tall growing, very hardy. Bear loads of ruby-red flowers all summer. Rich green foliage, attractive all season. 15-18 in. Each \$1.25.

PERSIAN LILAC Slender, arching branches carry myriads of tiny, bright-purple flowers in May and June. Tall grower; an improvement over common Lilac. 15-18 in. Each 35c; 3 for 90c.

Weigela



Persian Lilacs



BABY HEDGES

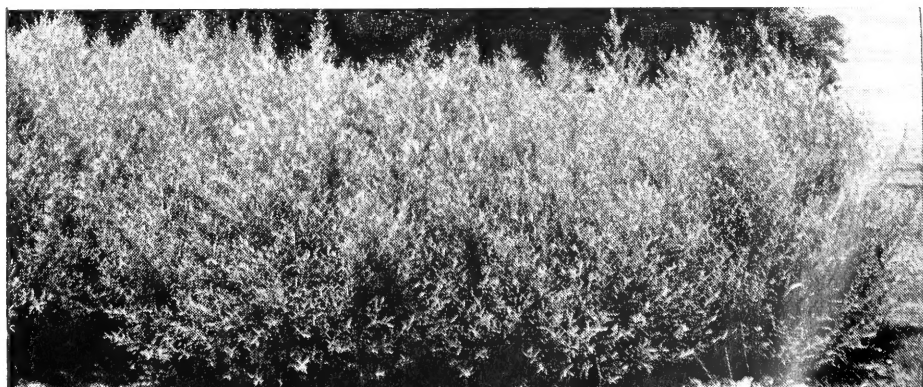
SPIREA VAN HOUTTEI Graceful, arching branches loaded with tiny white blossoms in early spring. Valuable for hedges; trim as desired. Very hardy. 15-18 in. Each 25c; 10 for \$2.25.

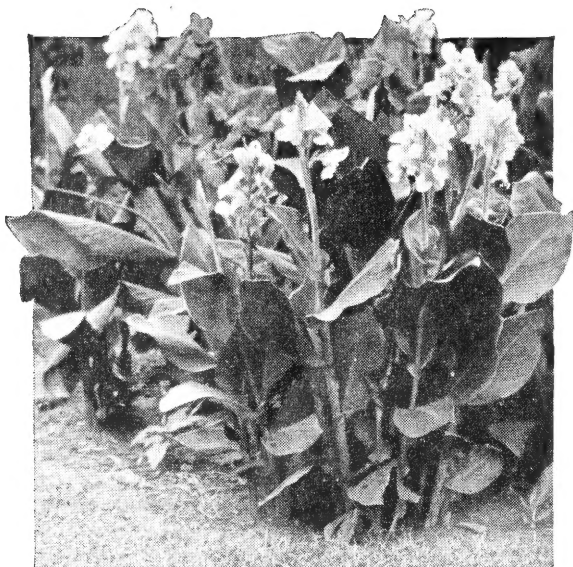
PRIVET AMUR RIVER NORTH Extremely hardy, easy to grow hedge plant; lustrous green foliage, clusters of white flowers followed

by black berries. 15-18 in. Each 25c; 10 for \$2.25.

SALIX NANA PURPUREA (Blue Willow) Splendid new hedge plant with attractive gray-blue foliage; easily kept dwarf. Will thrive anywhere; withstands all conditions of weather. 15-18 in. Each 30c; 10 for \$2.50; 25 for \$5.00.

Blue Willow





Beautiful CANNAS

Have a spectacular display of brilliant color all summer with a planting of these tall, stately plants. Massive flowers, harmonious color combinations and attractive foliage, make a beautiful show when planted in beds or in the perennial border. Easy to grow. (For Spring Delivery Only.)

KING HUMBERT Immense, well formed flowers of brilliant orange-scarlet. Bronze foliage. Height 5 feet.

HUNGARIA Considered the best pink Canna. Makes a fine contrast with the pleasing green foliage.

RICHARD WALLACE Sparkling golden-yellow flowers; green foliage. Height 4 ft.

THE PRESIDENT Large flowers of glowing scarlet, deep green foliage; unusually showy; grows 5 feet tall.

PRICES:

3 for 75c

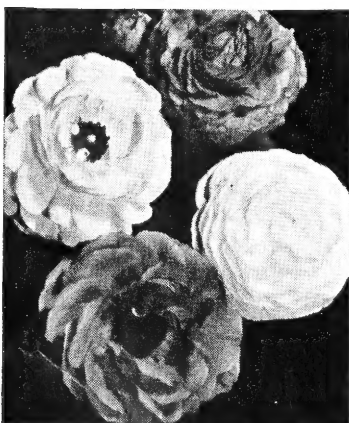
6 for \$1.40

12 for \$2.50

SPECIAL OFFER

One each of the 4 varieties listed above for 95c only

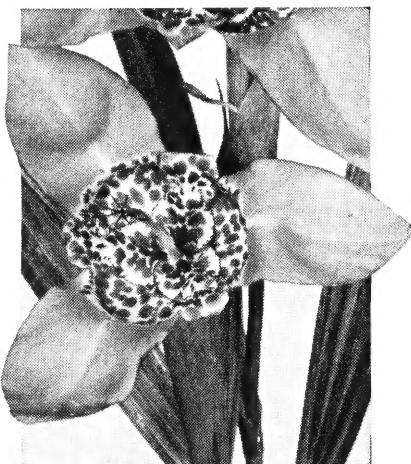
Colorful RANUNCULAS



New, large-flowering variety that is gaining great popularity as a cutflower. Blooms are double, semi-double and single; measure 2 inches and more across. Colors range from shades of yellow, to pink, salmon, and all shades of red. These exquisitely beautiful flowers with their long, graceful stem and delicate foliage are perfect for colorful border and bouquets. Mixed only. 6 for 50c; 12 for 90c; 25 for \$1.65. (For Spring Delivery Only.)

TIGRIDIAS

Few flowers are more gorgeously colorful or so beautiful as the Tigridia, or Shellflower of Mexico, as it is commonly called. The unusual form and variety of color combinations and markings, add interest and distinction to any garden. Colors range from white to yellows and shades of rose to deep red. Mixed only. 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.25. (For Spring Delivery Only.)



Everblooming Hybrid TEA ROSES

GOLDEN DAWN Buds of rich yellow splashed with crimson open to beautiful flowers of sunflower yellow.

KONIGIN LOUISE One of the finest white Roses. Fully double globular flowers of milk white.

PICTURE Medium sized flowers of rich pink with warm undertones of salmon. Each perfect bloom is a "picture."

POINSETTIA Long pointed buds open to exquisite blooms of poinsettia-red. A "must" for your rose garden.

ROUGE MALLERIN Long pointed scarlet buds; large, brilliant red blooms. Non-fading. Rich fragrance.

THE DOCTOR Exquisite buds and enormous flowers of a uniform, silvery pink; very outstanding. Fragrant.

Prices on above varieties: Each \$1.15; 3 of one kind \$3.25.

SPECIAL ROSE OFFER

6

Roses, 1 each of the varieties illustrated in beautiful color for only

\$6.25

Climbing ROSES

GOLDEN CHARM Produces a great abundance of flowers of pure golden-yellow, shading to darker yellow at base of petals. Blooms all summer.

PAUL'S SCARLET Semi-double flowers of vivid scarlet are produced in great clusters of 3 to 20 blooms on each cane. Very hardy, strong grower.

Prices on Climbing Roses: Each \$1.15; 3 of one kind \$3.25.

Patented ROSES

CHARLOTTE ARMSTRONG (Plant Pat. No. 455)

Perfectly formed buds of blood-red open slowly to exceptionally large, spectrum red blooms. Flowers hold their perfect form and rich color to the last. Each \$2.00.

MIRANDY (Plant Pat. No. 632) Immense, double blooms of deep crimson open from long, ovoid buds of rich red. Gorgeous buds and blooms make superb bouquets and table arrangements. Excellent, heavy-textured foliage. Each \$1.75.

PEACE (Plant Pat. No. 591) Ovoid buds are golden yellow; opening flowers change from canary-yellow to pale gold, petal edges tinged pink. Gorgeous, 40 to 50 petaled blooms measure 5 inches across. Each \$2.50.

SUTTER'S GOLD (Plant Pat. No. 885) Beautiful long pointed, yellow buds shaded with orange and red open to semi-double, high centered flowers that vary from deep orange to shades of yellow. Glossy green foliage. Each \$2.25.

NOTE: THE ABOVE ROSES WILL NOT BE SHIPPED BETWEEN JUNE 15 AND SEPT. 15.

Peace
Rose





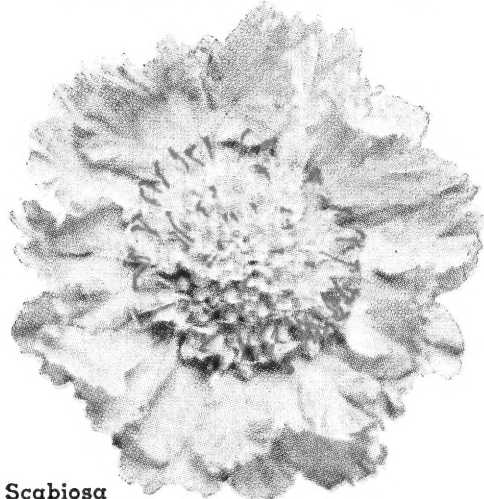
SCABIOSA

(Pincushion Flower)

CAUCASICA (Perfecta)—Do well in any ordinary garden soil. Stems 18 to 24 inches long topped by charming flowers in a soft lilac lavender shade. In bloom from June to September. Charming perennials for border culture and for cut flowers.

ISAAC HOUSE HYBRID—Extra large flowering strain noted for the variations of coloring in its bloom. All shades from light blue and lavender to deep blue appear throughout the blooming season. June to September.

COLUMBARIA PINK—An exquisite soft shade of pink. Tall stems topped by large blooms. Wonderful as cut flowers. Bloom June to September. 30c each; 3 of one kind 75c; 6 of one kind \$1.25; 12 of one kind \$2.15.



Scabiosa

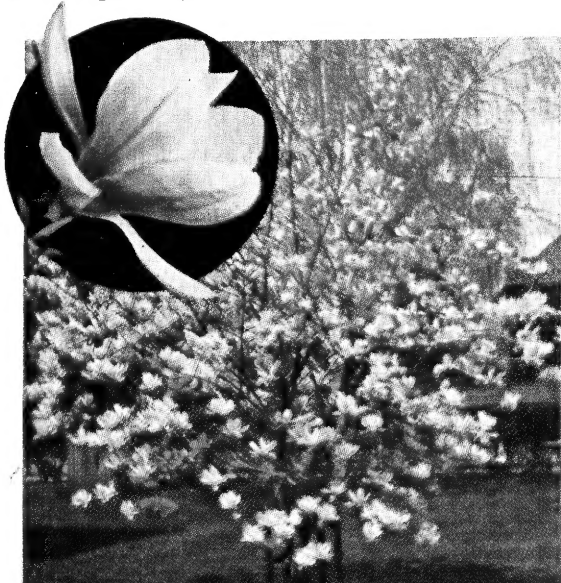
Beautiful MAGNOLIAS

SOULANGEANA—A very decorative hardy Magnolia. Large rose-colored blooms measuring 3-5 in. across. Spring blooming. Grows 8 to 10 ft. tall.

NIGRA—The finest of all hardy Magnolias. Blooms are purple-red shade outside, delicate waxen white inside. Measure 5-7" across.

Prices: We offer 18" to 24" plants, the most economical size to plant: \$2.00 ea., 3 for \$5.00.

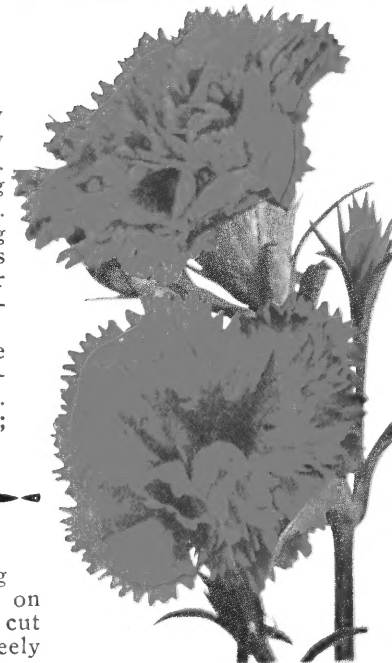
Magnolia
Nigra



CARNATION

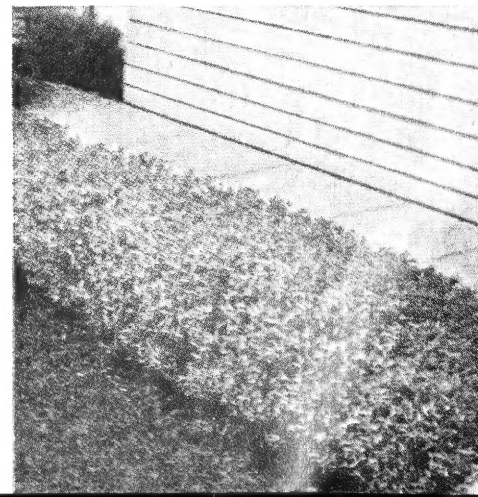
CRIMSON KING—Dazzling crimson flowers are borne on tall, stocky stems; an ideal cut flower type. Plants bloom freely and almost continuously from spring until fall. Hardy. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25.

(For other varieties see page 5)



BLUE LEAF ARCTIC WILLOW

A dwarf bush that makes a distinctive hedge. Foliage is unusual bluish gray with a tinge of green. Withstands extreme cold weather. Grows anywhere. Makes 4 ft. hedge. We offer best size for planting. 10" to 15" plants 30c ea.; 5 for \$1.40; 10 for \$2.50; 25 for \$5.00.





New Gorgeous Tuberous

BEGONIAS

"THE FLOWER OF KINGS"

(Complete description & additional offers on page 13)

AVAILABLE UNTIL JUNE 15TH ONLY

SPECIAL OFFER No. 1

Mixed Begonias

For those not particular as to color, we have a special mixture of Camellia, Carnation, Rosebud, and Hanging-type Begonias in all colors. All 1" to 1¼" diameter commercial size bulbs.

8 Bulbs, Mixed Colors, Ppd. **\$1.50**

SPECIAL OFFER No. 2

6 One each of the five colors illustrated plus one bulb of Picotee, a large two toned begonia. 6 large 1½" to 2" exhibition size bulbs for only

\$1.75

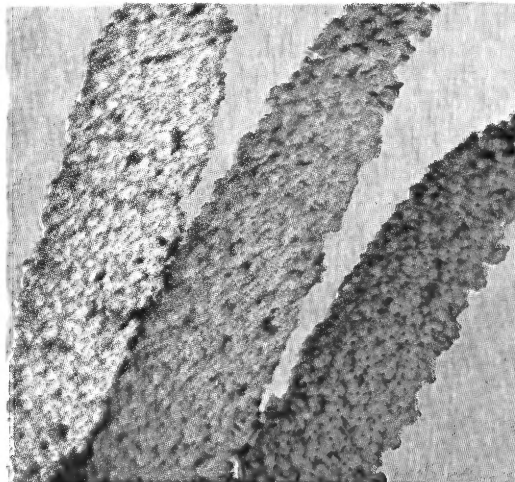
BLUE HYDRANGEA

Very hardy. Blooms on new wood as well as old. Flowers large and on acid soil a beautiful blue. In ordinary soil flowers are pink. To make flowers blue, acidify soil by adding aluminum sulphate. To make pink, add agricultural lime. Prefers partial shade. Needs some protection in north. Vigorous pot-grown plants. 75c each; 3 for \$2.00.

PLATYCODON

(Balloon Flower)

A most unique garden flower. Produce large flowers. Gorgeous bell shaped blooms. Extremely hardy. Tall. We offer two colors — Grandiflora Blue and Grandiflora Shell Pink. 25c ea.; 3 of one kind 65c; 6 of one kind \$1.10; 12 of one kind \$1.90.

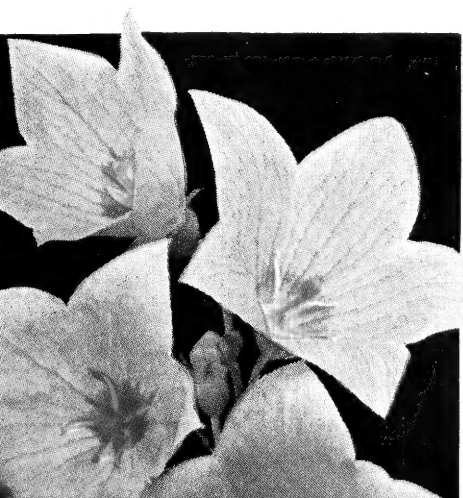


BUDDLEIA BARGAIN

1 Ile De France 1 Royal Purple
1 Pink Charming 1 Snowbank

4 1 ea. of **\$2.75**
above for

(For descriptions see page 29)



Blue Hydrangea